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1 th March, 1948.

MAR 1948 BRITISH EMBASSY,

Dear Department,

Ref: 413/43/48

we enclose herein an extract from the New York Times of the 12th March about a rally held in New York on the previous day to protest against American hesitation in the Palestine question. It will be seen there was a very strong communist element in this rally and it is unlikely that it will have done much to further the Zionist cause in the minds of American citizens of other persuasions.

Yours ever,

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Mastern Department, Foreign Office, LONDON, S.W. 1. 685

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### 10,000 IN PROTEST ON PALESTINE HERE

Throng Undaunted by Weather Mustered by Communist and Left-Wing Labor Leaders

### BECOMES WALLACE RALLY

Gathering at Madison Square
Park Hears a Message From
the Third Party Aspirant

By ALEXANDER FEINBERG

Determined on a show of strength, despite inclement weather, to evidence adoption of what for them was a newly espoused cause, Communist and left-wing labor leaders yesterday mustered 10,000 persons in a Palestine protest parate and rally.

Youthful and disciplined Communists raised their battle cry of "solidarity forever" as they marched through driving rain and pelting hailstones from Seventh Avenue and Twenty-ninth Street to Madison Square Park. Trudging along with them were the unorganized, middle-aged persons for the most part, who braved the elements to further their age-old dream of a homeland for the Jewish people.

The parade and rally were held under the auspices of the United Committee to Save the Jewish State and the United Nations, formed recently after the internationally minded Communists decided to "take over" an intensely nationalistic cause, the partition of Palestine. Committee chairman and grand marshal of the parade was Ben Gold, president of the Communist-led International Fur and Leather Workers Union, CIO.

Demonstration for Wallace

Although the committee's stated aims, for which the drums have been beaten by the Daily Worker, Communist newspaper, were to agitate for carrying through Palestine partition, the lifting of the arms embargo and the opening of the Holy Land for wider Jewish immigration, the rally at Madison Square Park turned into a political demonstration for the candidacy of Henry A. Wallace.

Mr. Wallace, who bolted the Democratic party to declare his candidacy for President on a third-party ticket, sent a message to the gathering in which he assailed "betrayal" of partition by the United States in the United Nations.

With 5,000 persons, in addition to the marchers, gathered off the park on Madison Avenue between Twenty-third and Twenty-sixth Streets, City Councilman Eugene P. Connolly of the American Labor party echoed these words.

President Truman and the Administration, he declared, had betrayed "the principles of Franklin D. Roosevelt," and he added: "The answer [to this] was made a few days ago in the Bronx—to take back our Government. Elect Wallace President and take back our Government."

Mr. Connolly's reference to the Bronx election followed an address by the successful candidate, Representative Leo Isacson, who won his Congressional seat in a special election with the backing of the Wallace forces.

Mr. Isacson said: "There is no basis for our position before the United Nations. The Truman Administration is selling out the Jewish people for oil. We will continue fighting until the Jewish State becomes a reality."

Among the other speakers were Irving Potash, manager of the Joint Furrier's Council, CIO, now fighting deportation as an alien Communist; City Councilman Benjamin Davis, a Communist; Robert Burke, warehouse director of Local 65, Warehouse Workers Union, CIO; Joseph Bucholtz of the American Youth for Democracy; Irma

Lindheim, former national president of Hadassah, and Gedalia Sendler, executive secretary of the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, who spoke in Yiddish.

### Telegram From Marcantonio

A telegram was read from Representative Vito Marcantonio, ALP leader, grounded in Washington by the weather, in which he attacked both the Administration's policy toward Palestine; and the Marshall Plan.

Mr. Wallace in his message, read by Arthur Schutzer, co-chairman of the rally committee, said:
"I have said before and I repeat that the Administration is selling out the people of Palestine and striking a grave blow at the United Nations by trying to escape its responsibility to give positive support to Palestine partition.

"The good name of the American people is besmirched by those who are playing oil politics while ignoring justice for the Jewish people who have worked, fought and endured so much for freedom. Our delegation to the United Nations ns indulging in legal chatter which hides from one one the betrayal that is under way. The protest of all Americans of good conscience must be heard. The world must know that the American people do not support this perfidy."

### Parade Held Up by Rain

Scheduled to start at 3 P. M. the parade was held up half an hour by a cold rain that found the usually crowd-choked streets in the fur and garment districts almost deserted except for foot and mounted patrolmen. Despite the fact that at police insistence the route was shortened ten blocksthe original schedule called for a start at Thirty-ninth Street-the traffic on Seventh Avenue was slowed to a crawl. It took a bus fifteen minutes to negotiate five blocks, heading south from Fortieth Street, with red lights flashing on two or three times in the

space of a single block.

Down Seventh Avenue, on the west or southbound lane, the paraders marched, keeping the east side of the street clear for other traffic. On Twenty-third Street, again using the west side of the street, the parade turned east.

The rain during the march had let up considerably but by the time the first of the marchers, headed by a contingent of mounted policemen, crossed Broadway and Fifth Avenue to enter Madison Square Park at 3:50 P. M. the rain had changed to a hail of ice the size of pebbles.

#### Bands and Flags in Line

Undaunted the marchers plodded on. Preceded by bands they carried American flags alongside the blue and white Jewish emblem with the Star of David in the center. They carried placards some of which read: "Arms to Haganah," "Save the Jewish State," and "Smash the Gentlemen's Agreement Between the State Department and Standard Oil."

Some of the bands played "Hatikvoh," the Jewish national anthem. Behind these came marchers singing, trudging through the icy slush. Young militants chanted "Save the Jewish State; Smash the Embargo." Still others, a group representing the New York Chapter of the Communist party, sang out "solidarity forever," and in unison "Truman talks civil rights—Clark strangled civil rights—Stop Deportations."

There were banners held high despite the rain and the wind. Some proclaimed boldly that the marchers carrying them belonged to Communist-led unions. Others, like the home-made affair of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, were more cautious, merely reading "members of." The ILGWU is a right-wing union and this obviously was an unofficial sign.

The marchers kept pouring into Madison Avenue for about an hour. Shortly after 4:30 P. M. an announcement came over the loud speaker saying that 46,000 marchers had entered the square. The police, readily admitting that the turnout was remarkable in view of the weather, placed the total number of marchers at 10,000 persons, with an additional 5,000 watching in the square. Committee members had predicted that 100,000 persons would be in the line of

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E 3563 BRITISH EMBASSY.

WASHINGTON 8. D. C.

17 MAR 1948 12th March, 1948.

Dear Department,

Ref: 413/42/48

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Please refer to our letter 413/38/48 of the 8th March about Congressional interest in Palestine.

- We enclose an extract from the New York
  Times of the 12th March which gives the gist of a letter
  sent to Mr. Marshall by forty-one Democratic members of
  the Senate and House of Representatives. The great
  majority of these are strong supporters of the United
  Nations or of Zionism.
- We are sending a copy of this letter to the United Kingdom Delegation, New York.

Yours ever,

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Eastern Department,
Foreign Office,
LONDON, S.W. 1.

# U. S. ON PALESTINE ner hardly calculated to decrease Arab violence in that country."

Letter to Marshall Stresses 'Lack of Vigor' in Backing U.N. Decision on Partition

> By SAMUEL A. TOWER Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

WASHINGTON, March 11-Forty-one Democratic members of ing from current British shipthe Senate and the House, pre- ments. dominantly Administration stal-warts, made public today a joint activities by the United States letter to Secretary of State Mar- "which can hardly be taken as an shall expressing their "profound indication of either a sympathetic

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of communications to the State of such communications. Department and the White House from political figures and organizations over the last two months signatories included: that have called for further action or been critical of present policies, or been critical of present policies, Was particularly significant in that Johnson. Colorado; Francis J. Myers, most of the signatories had been Pennsylvania.

Administration's position in legislative battles.

A similar round-robin letter, also in a critical vein but taking the form of questions rather than statements, was addressed to the secretary recently by a group of thirty Republican members of the Representatives

New York—Sol Bloom, William T. Byrne, Charles A. Buckley, John J. Delaney, James J. Heffernan, Eugene J. Keogh, Arthur G. Klein, Walter, Donald L. O'Toole, Joseph L. Pfeifer, John J. Rooney and Adam Clayton Powell.

Pennsylvania — Frank Buckenson secretary recently by a group of Pennsylvania — Frank Buchanan, thirty Republican members of the Augustine B. Kelley and Thomas E.

House.

There have been also individual communications to President Truman and Secretary Marshall from both Republican and Democratic Dental Republican and Democratic Michigan—John D. Dingell and Michigan—John D. Dingell and Senators and Representatives.

Lack of Vigor, Firmness

In a letter of transmittal signed y Senator James E. Murray f Montana and Representative Cmanuel Celler of New York, the Cmanuel Celler of New York, the New Mexico—Antonio M. Fernan by Senator James E. Murray been authorized by four other Senators and thirty-five other Representatives to send over their names a protest against the "lack legislators explained that they had dez. Rhode Island—Aime J. Forand. New Jersey—Edward J. Hart. Ohio—Walter B. Huber. Indiana—Ray J. Madden. Maryland—Hugh A. Meade. of vigor and firmness" by the United States in support of the partition decision.

Mr. Murray included as a Democrat Senator Glen H. Taylor of Idaho, who recently read himself out of the party to become the running mate of Henry A. Wallace on a third party ticket.

In their observations to Secretary Marshall, the signatories said: "We have noted with pleasure the recent statements emanating from President Truman and from you to the effect that the United States government stands by the decision of the United Nations.

"We would be less than frank, however, if we did not express to you our profound misgivings lest the attitude taken by our Gov-ernment \* \* rather than facilitate the implementation of that decision, would render this implementation more difficult thus reflecting on the integrity and the good name of our country.'

In referring to the British policy toward the United Nations decision the letter said:

"It is most regrettable that the British Government, while refusing to facilitate the execution of the United Nations resolution and

41 DEMOCRATS SPUR while insisting on its sole and exclusive control of Palestine, is us-

Ban on Arms Export Hit

The signers described themselves as "surprised" by the unilateral course adopted by this country in prohibiting the export of arms to he Middle East, thus increasing the odds against the Jewish defenders of the United Nations decilions," while Arab bands, supported by neighboring Arab states, were being supplied weapons, some of which were com-

misgivings" over American policy or even a neutral attitude toward the problem of implementing the The signers declared that they United Nations resolution," move and the "fine" distinctions In their communication to Secretary Marshall the legislators also delegate to the United Nations.

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Additional Signatories

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SENATORS

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British Troops in Palestine.

Transmits copy of letter from Mr. W. Moncar. who's son is now serving in Palestine, and who is disturbed by a quotation from a speech by Mr. Bevin. in which the Foreigh Secretary is alleged to have said that "He is not disturbed by the present outbursts of passion"

M. P. No. Datedto Mr. Bevin.

Tomp Cook.

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The discussions referred to are, of course, principally those related to our Creaties with Egypt and Iraq.

You should assure your correspondent that Mr. Bevin sincerely sympathises with the anxiety, which he and ammy other parents feel about their sons in Pelestine. The withdrawal of british troops has begun and is proceeding as fast as is physically possible, and H.H. Government are completely determined not to prolong the British occupation of any part of Palestine after the 1st August, by which date the last of our troops should have left the country.

FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W. 1.

20th March, 1948.

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In the Foreign Secretary's absence I am writing in reply to your communication of 3rd March enclosing a letter to you from Mr. W. Moncar, which I return herewith.

The phrase quoted by your correspondent is part of a speech made by Mr. Bevin at a dinner given by the Egyptian Ambassador on 10th February, and has no direct connexion with Palestine. Speaking nof the necessity of a new relationship of equality in our foreign relations, the Secretary of State said:

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T. Cook, Esq., M.P.,

House of Commons.

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Mr. Weld Forester No. 151 D. 3.25 p.m. 21st Harch 1948

20th March 1948 and to High Commissioner Jerusalem Addressed to Foreign Office telegram No. 151 of 20th March and to High Commissioner Jerusalem.

Ethiopian Ministry of Foreign Affairs by note verbale, have requested Foreign Office and High Commissioner, Jerusalem, be informed urgently that automobile of Ethiopian Consul General in Jerusalem was taken by force by Arabs last week.

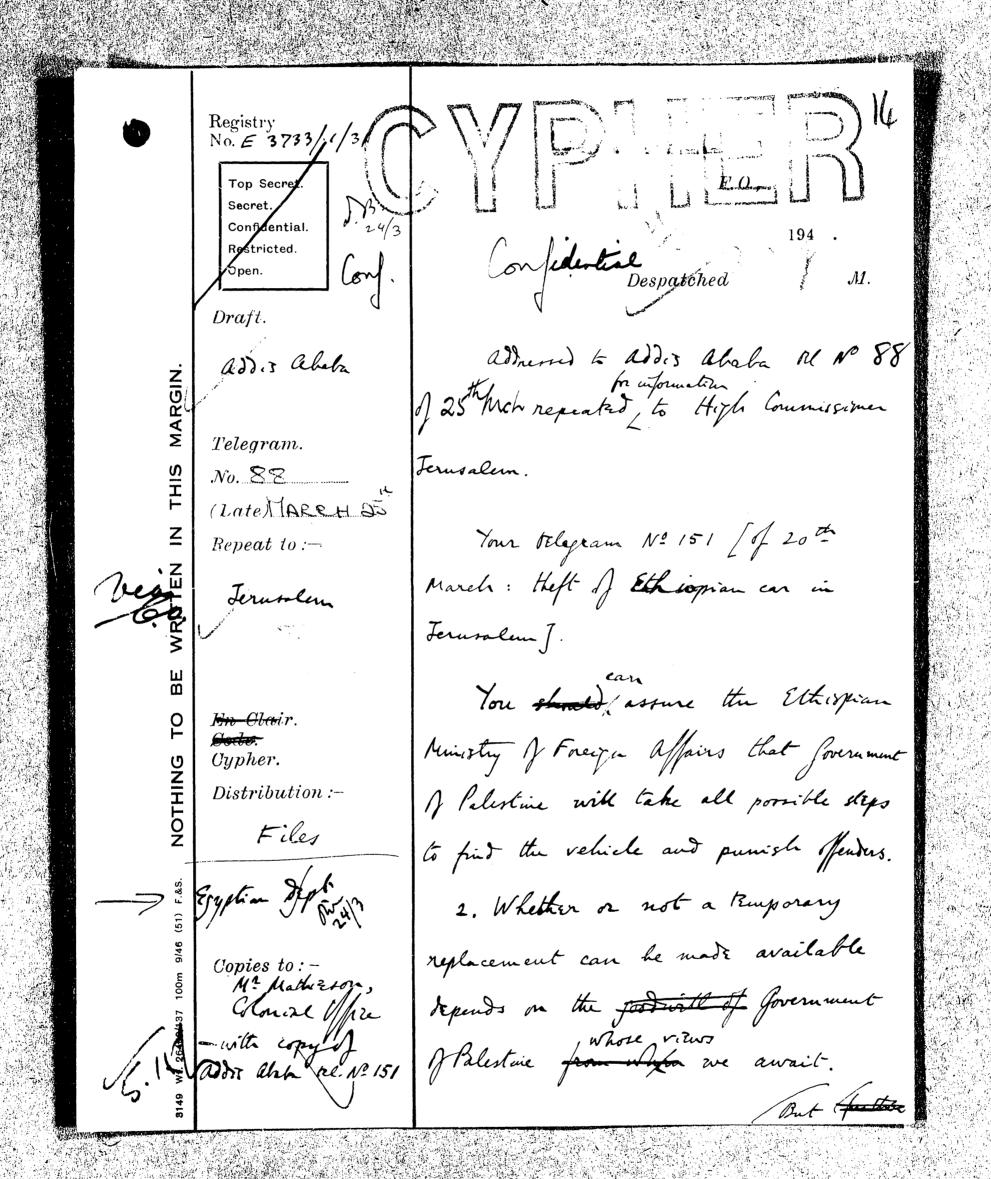
3. Note verbale requests prompt action restore vehicle and punishment of offenders. It also requests that pending restoration of missing vehicle a suitable replacement be made available.

Foreign Office please pass to High Commissioner Jerusalem as my telegram No. 1.

[Copies sent to Telegraph Section, Colonial Office for retransmission to Jerusalem].

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D. 3.35 p.m. 26th March, 1948.

25th March, 1948.

Repeated to Jerusalem.

### CONFIDENTIAL.

Addressed to Addis Ababa telegram No. 88 of 25th

March, repeated for information to High Commissioner Jerusalem.

Your telegram No. 151 [of 20th March: Theft of Ethiopian car in Jerusalem].

You can assure the Ethiopian Ministry of Foreign Affairs that Government of Palestine will take all possible steps to find the vehicle and punish offenders.

2. Whether or not a temporary replacement can be made available depends on the Government of Palestine whose views we await. But for your information in a previous similar case we have advised them in agreement with Colonial Office that, in view of exceptional circumstances in Palestine, claims for damage to consular property need not be treated differently from consular property need not be treated differently from private claims. Latter are being registered in virtue of a notice of 22nd May, 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May, 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May, 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May, 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May, 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May, 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May, 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May and 1947 which states that no claims of a notice of 22nd May are already and therefore avoid holding out any hope of replacement or compensation or encouraging Ethiopians to think they have a legal right to special treatment.

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Palestine Alternative Plan.

Refers Prime Minister's minute M. 371/47 of 15th October 1947, (Encloses further letter to the Prime Minister from Lord Samuel on the subject of Palestine together with a copy of its enclosure, which Lord Samuel has sent to Dr Trygvie Lie,

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Minutes. 17 The Prime Minister's private office tell me that Lord Samuel's letter to the Prime Minister was acknowledged from there and that no further action is necessary. I attach a draft acknowlegment from the Secretary of State. 735 Beris J.G.S. Beith 6th April, 1948. Nothing to be Written in this Margin.

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My Hour John.

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minute 1.371/47 or the late October last, minute 1.371/47 or the late October last, I enclose a further letter which the Prime Limister has received from Lord Scauel on the madject of Palastine, together with a common its enclosure.

I am sending a copy of this letter and onclosure to luncum matson (Colonial Office).

Yours ever Laurie Jung Por

J.M.M. Lenniker, Mst., ....,

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32, PORCHESTER TERRACE, W. 2.

PADDINGTON 0040.

15th March, 1948.

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Dear Prime Minister,

You may remember that a few months ago you were good enough to give me the opportunity of coming to see you about Palestine. I then left with you the draft of an alternative plan, based on Communities instead of on geographical areas, for possible consideration at some future time, if the Partition Scheme of U.N. should miscarry. As at the moment it seems probable that after May 15th, if not before, there will be open and unrestrained civil war in Palestine, I have now sent this Memorandum, amended in some minor particulars, to Dr.Trygvie Lie, in case a suggestion for a fresh approach on different lines might be of service.

I enclose a copy for your information. I am sending a copy also to Dr.Weizmann in New York.

Yours sincerely,

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Rt.Hon.C.R.Attlee, C.H., M.P., 10, Downing Street.

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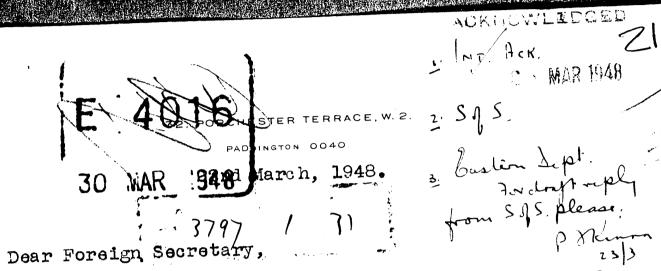
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Palestine as an alternative to Partition, I ventured to send to Mr.Trygvie Lie on March 15th a letter with the Memorandum of which I enclose a copy for your information. I sent a copy at the same time to the Prime Minister, as this Paper is an amended version of one that I gave him a few months ago for possible future consideration. I also sent a copy to Dr. Weizmann in New York.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel

Rt. Hon. E. Bevin, M.P.

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### PROPOSALS FOR PALESTINE.

- 1. On the termination of the British Mandate, the Administration of Palestine shall be transferred to the Trusteeship Council of United Nations.
- 2. The Trusteeship Council will appaint a Commission to administer the country.
- a Jewish Council. Each Council will be elected by the members of the respective community wherever they may be resident, and not on a geographical basis. Each Council will make and administer laws on matters to be specified, relating to eduction, religion, and other communal affairs. Provision will be made for adequate revenues, to be under its own control. The Commission will consult with each Council on all matters of importance, whether communal or general, before taking action.
- 4. If desired by the Christian Communities there shall be constituted a third Council, with similar functions, for those Communities as a whole. Alternatively, any one of those Communities may be empowered to elect such a Council.
- 5. The Arab Council and the Jewish Council (and any Christian Council) shall have direct access to United Nations on any matters concerning Palestine.
- 6. The present system of Local Government in towns and districts shall continue.
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Colonial Office, Church House, Great Smith Street, s.w.l.

25th March, 1948.

Dear Pumphrey,

Please refer to your letter of the 16th March to Henniker enclosing Lord Samuel's letter to the Prime Minister about his alternative proposals for Palestine.

My Minister has now received a copy of this plan direct from Lord Samuel, and I enclose for information a copy of the acknowledgement which we have sent to him on the Secretary of State's instructions.

I am copying this letter with enclosure to Henniker.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) W.F. Dawson.

Private Secretary.

J.L. Pumphrey, Esq.

RECORD OFFICE

London, S. W.1.

25th March, 1948.

Dear ord Samuel,

I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd March enclosing for Mr. Creech Jones a copy of the plan which you have submitted to Mr. Trygvie Lie as an alternative to partition in Palestine.

Mr.Creech Jones has asked me to thank you for your kindness in forwarding it to him. He has read it with great interest.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) W.F.Dawson.

Private Secretary.

The Rt.Hon. Viscount Samuel, GCB., GBE.

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### PROPOSALS FOR PALESTINE

- 1. On the termination of the British Mandate, the Administration of Palestine shall be transferred to the Trusteeship Council of United Nations.
- 2. The Trusteeship Council will appoint a Commission to administer the country.
- 3. There shall be constituted in Palestine an Arab Council and a Jewish Council. Each Council will be elected by the members of the respective community wherever they may be resident, and not on a geographical basis. Each Council will make and administer laws on matters to be specified, relating to education, religion, and other communal affairs. Provision will be made for adequate revenues, to be under its own control. The Commission will consult with each Council on all matters of importance, whether communal or general, before taking action.
- 4. If desired by the Christian Communities there shall be constituted a third Council, with similar functions, for those Communities as a whole. Alternatively, any one of those Communities may be empowered to elect such a Council.
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The Right Honourable, Viscount Samuel, GCB., GBE.,

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The Minister of State has minuted:-

I know Mathews well.

- (a) I don't think he is a Jew.
- (b) He has more than once given us considerable help on the Palestine situation as has his publisher, Sulzberger, who of course is a Jew.
- (c) Herbert Mathews, both in speech and in writing, has shown himself as a passionate and thoughtful friend of Britain.
  - (d) I have never known him talk like this.

I can only conclude that Rugby, who is now a very old man, has confused the person with whom he was talking or muddled the record of the conversation.

H.McN. March 31st.

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A.S. Halford, Esc.,

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With Mr Smedley's compliments.

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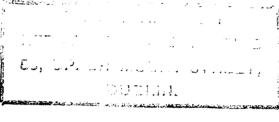
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16th Warch, 1948.

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Some eighteen months ago Mr. H. Jatthews, London correspondent of the Tew York Times" called on me at this Office for a general talk. Yesterday he again called. He had just been paying a visit to Northern Ireland to get a view of the situation there and he told me that an article of his putting the Worthern point of view had probably eppeared in the "Mew York Times" of "ednesday or Thursday, loth and 11th March.

Te discussed American colitics and the fall in Trumen stock. Ur. Matthews said that one factor in this slump was President Trumen's lisastrous handling of the Palestine situation. I assumed that this meant that Mr. Matthews Pelt that the U.S.A. had made a mistake in antagonizing the Arab world. I was quite wrong about this and suddenly realized that Wr. Matthews is a Jew with strong Jewish prejudices. He went on to say that the only possible course now was to let the Jews equip themselves fully with arms to enforce partition. After all Partition had won the verdict of the United Nations. and justice required that this vardict should be implemented. 

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intervened to say that this would mean that the Jews with their wealth and connections could overawe all resistance. .

"as this fair to the Arabs? He said, "You British are looking after the Arabs. You are arming Iraq and Transjordania".

He went on to say with some emotion that President Truran, though he had made initial mistakes, had received no help from Ur. Ernest Bevin who, instead of trying to work cut some compromise, had thrown in his hand and had sabotaged all hope of a reasonable solution.

In most respects Mr. Matthews struck me as reasonable and rell-balanced. His views on Palestine however are obviously coloured by strong racial bitterness. As he is in a key post in bondon I pass this on in case it should be of interest to the spess Scotions at the Foreign Office and Colonial Office.

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(Sd.) RUGBY.

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TELEGRAM FROM Lord Inverchapel Washington 91 Saving

Dated

24.3.48

Received 29.3.48 in Registry

Hadassah Hospital Telegram No.32 of 22nd March to Jerusalem.

Refers to Washington telegram No.28 to Jerusalem

of 4th March. (63/21//)

Mrs. Halprin has again reported her knowledge

Also draws of further incidents in Jerusalem. attention to press story stating that Hadassah Hospital and Hebrew University are kaxke threatened by Abdel Kader Husseini.
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Lord Inverchapel.
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March 24th, 1948.

R: March 27th, 1948.

Addressed to High Commissioner, Jerusalem telegram No. 32 of 22nd March, repeated for information Saving to Foreign Office telegram No. 91 and United Kingdom Delegation New York telegram No. 28.

My telegram No. 28 [of 4th March].

Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem.

Mrs. Halprin has appealed to me again upon further incidents reported to her from Jerusalem. She has also drawn my attention to press story appearing here on 18th March to the effect that Abdel Kader Husseini, designated as Military Commander of Palestine Arabs, is reported to have threatened to demolish and occupy Hadassah Hospital and Hebrew University on the ground that they are, according to him, being used as military bases.



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International Red Cross

Telegran No. 246 to Jerusalem. Refers to

Jerusalem telegram to C.O. No.643. For Gurney from Fletcher-Cooke.

Proposal that hospitals in Jerusalem and Bethlehem should be handed over to International Red Cross is agreed in principle.

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No. 992

D. 2.00 p.m. 27th March, 1948.

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29 MAR 1948

Addressed High Commissioner Jerusalem No. 246 of 27th March repeated for information important to Foreign Office (for Colonial Office) and Saving to Washington.

Your telegram No. 695 repeated to Colonial Office as No. 643.

International Red Cross.

Following for Gurney from Fletcher-Cooke.

Commission agree in principle to proposal in paragraph 6 that hospitals at Jerusalem and Bethlehem should be handed over in trust to International Red Cross provided:

- (a) That Commission's approval for these arrangements cannot (repeat not) be deemed to extend beyond October 1st, 1948.
- (b) That sum of eight thousand pounds per month required for maintenance of these hospitals be chargeable against Palestine revenue and be earmarked now (repeat now) for the purpose on the grounds that continued operation of these hospitals is a matter of high priority.
- 2. In this connexion Commission invites attention to paragraph 2 of Section E of part 1 of Assembly's plan of partition.
- z. I am not (repeat not) clear why Commission have referred to this paragraph unless it is to justify their prior approval of the encumbering of Palestine Government's assets for a specific purpose.
- 4. Commission would also be interested to learn whether you have considered possible service which might be rendered by the League of Red Cross Societies with regard to protection of health in Palestine after termination of Mandate.

Foreign Office please pass important to Jerusalem.

Copies sent to Colonial Office and to Telegraph Section Colonial Office for repetition to Jerusalem.

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19th March, 1948

Nº 3093/35

their compliments to his Britannic Majesty's Legation and have the honour to request them urgently to inform his Britannic Majesty's Government in the united Kingdom and the appropriate authorities in ralestine that the automobile of the Imperial Ethiopian Consulate General in Jerusalem was taken by force by Arabs this last week.

The Imperial Ethnopian Government must ask for the intervention of the appropriate British authorities to effect prompt restoration of the authorities to effect prompt restoration of the vehicle so essential to the services of the Consulate vehicle so essential to the services of the Consulate General, as well as punishment of the offenders. It is also requested that the appropriate authorities have available to the Consulate General another suitable wehicle pending restoration of the vehicle in question.

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Foreign Office please pass to Jerusalem as my telegram No. 54.

[Copies sent to Telegraph Section, Colonial Office for transmission to Jerusalem].

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PALESTINE. 30 MAR 1948

Your Lordships' House as recently as the 20th January.

The policy of His Majesty's Government was explained on that occasion, and our policy remains unaltered. One aspect of it has since been emphasised by my Right hon. Friend the Foreign Secretary, who has stated that our decision to put an end to our Mandatory responsibilities in Palestine on the 15th May and to withdraw our forces progressively until the last contingents leave on the 1st August must apply to the City of Jerusalem as well as to the rest of the country.

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I have been asked whether His Majesty's Government will make an appeal to the religious leaders of the Arab and Jewish communities for an agreement to respect the neutrality of Jerusalem and the Holy Places outside the city. I understand that this question is already being discussed by the leaders of the various religious communities on the spot. I need hardly say that H.M. Government have the deepest sympathy with the motives which have led to these discussions, and that we earnestly hope for their success. I am sure each of the two peoples concerned is fully aware of the injury that would be done to its cause in the eyes of the world if it should make itself responsible, either by its actions or by negligence, for bloodshed and destruction in this city with all its sacred associations.

Throughout Palestine, the civil and military services are at present continuing to carry out their difficult and increasingly dangerous duties with courage and impartiality. I wish to take this opportunity of reiterating that the reckless accusations which have been made against His Majesty's Forces by leaders of the Jewish Agency are entirely without/

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without foundation. / Your Loraships will have learned with indignation that the mining of a troop train last Sunday, resulting in a heavy loss of life, appears to have been a direct result of this irresponsible and contemptible propaganda. ) His Majesty's Government have the fullest confidence in the High Commissioner, in the General Officer Commanding and in the services which they direct.

While Palestine lives under the constant threat of terrorist outrage and communal war, the over-riding responsibility for its future is passing from the hands of His Majesty's Government into those of the United Nations. Opinion at Lake Success is evidently impressed by changes which have taken place in the situation since the General Assembly adopted its Resolution concerning the future government of Palestine on the 29th November last. Commission which the Assembly appointed to implement its proposals has informed the Security Council that it cannot carry out its task unless it is provided with military backing. The Security Council is at present examining this statement and its implication. The representative of the United States, whose delegation played a leading part in formulating and advocating the proposals of the General Assembly, has now stated that the view of his Government that "the Charter of the United Nations coes not empower the Security Council to enforce a political settlement". The Council, according to this doctrine, can take police action in order to keep the peace but cannot put the Assembly's Resolution into effect by means of armed forces. Whether or not this is sound doctrine, it illustrates the complexity of the problems, legal as well as practical,

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#### SECRETURY OF STATE.

Cardinal Griffin has asked whether you would like your letter to him (in the paper behind) about the safety of the Holy Places to be published, as he has himself published his proposal on which you were commenting. I am sorry that the paper has been delayed in the Department. They now say that they see no objection to your letter being published so far as its substance is concerned, but that the appearance at this moment of so long a letter in the Catholic press might attract a degree of attention in the United Kingdom and abroad out of proportion to the real importance of the Cardinal's original suggestion.

You will also recall that your letter was in fact drafted by the Colonial Secretary, to whom you had passed Cardinal Griffin's original letters. You could therefore reply to Cardinal Griffin to the effect that this was a question which closely concerned the Colonial Secretary, and that as you had consulted him over your letter and he was now in New York you would prefer for your letter not to be published, at all events until you had had an opportunity to consult the Colonial

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Secretary on his return.

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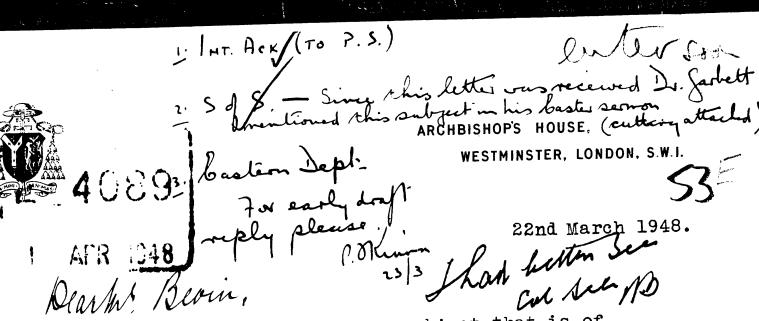
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The Right Hon. Ernest Bevin, M.P.

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FOREIGN FFICE,

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E4089 1/31 25th March, 1948.

Dear Sir,

I am writing on behalf of the Foreign Secretary to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd March about the safety of the Holy Places in Falestine.

Mr. Bevin is replying to you as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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Private Secretary to His Eminence, Cardinal Griffin.

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31st March, 1948.

Dear Osborne,

i enclose a copy of a letter addressed to the Foreign Secretary by Cardinal Griffin on the subject of the protection of the Sacred Flaces in Paleatine.

Mr. Bevin wishes to discuss this matter with Mr. Creech-Jones at 11.30 a.m. tomorrow. The Archbishop of York's Sermon at Baster, which was reported in the Times is also relevant.

Yours sincerely,

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W.J.B. Osborne, Esq., Colonial Office.

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Archbishop of Vestminster.

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THE ARCHBISHOP OF WESTMINSTER.

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Since we referred the problem of Palestine to the United Nations, we have on many occasions drawn the attention of that organization and its committee to the supreme importance in the eyes of the Christian world of the Holy Places and have urged that satisfactory arrangements for Jerusalem must be an essential feature of any plan for the future government of Palestine. Our representative on the Trusteeship Council has placed all the information available from our experience at the disposal of the Council in the task assigned to them by the General Assembly to elaborate an international statute for the City. In working out the provisions of this statute our representatives have played an important (if not obtrusive) part in ensuring as far as is possible that all essential interests in the City are safeguarded and that the statute itself is a workable instrument. The Council have finished their work on the statute, which they regard as being in satisfactory form, but, in spite of a number of pleas of urgency from our representative, they have in the face of our objections decided to defer final approval of the

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The Commission have pointed out to the Security Council that the City with its mixed population cannot be in peace if there is no peace between the two main communities, and that, as an enclave in Arab territory, it depends for its essential supplies and communication with the outside world on the goodwill of its neighbours. Its water supply, its electricity supply, and its food supply are at the mercy of any hostile force which may invest the City. Similarly its economy and finances depend on the general economy of Palestine, as, without outside subvention, it cannot be self-supporting. These observations show the serious difficulties which would have to be faced by any administration

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We cannot escape the conclusion that the security of the Holy Places depends on peace between the rival communities in the City. For many months past the Government of Palestine has been working unremittingly to gain the consent of religious and political leaders of all parties to a truce within the City. All those with influence, particularly in the religious life of the City, have been urged to work together to bring about such a truce and the local British officials have been tireless. in negotiations between the parties. Unfortunately, political considerations, as always in Palestine, are very much in the minds of many of these leaders of opinion in Jerusalem, and neither side seem very ready to commit themselves without assurances in the political field which the other is unwilling to give. We are persisting,

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Yours sincerely,

(Sga.) Ernest Berin.

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#### **JERUSALEM**

Two Papers dealing with the future protection of Jerusalem are attached:

(1) a reply drafted in the Colonial Office, and slighty amended by Eastern Department, to a letter addressed to the Secretary of State on this subject by the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster

(2) a draft telegram to the U.K. Delegation New York, in answer to their request for confirmation that we will ask the United Nations Commission to send an official to Jerusalem in order to recruit British volunteers for an Interim Police Force to protect the city until permanent arrangements can be made.

Our existing commitments in relation to the future protection of Jerusalem are as stated in the draft reply to Cardinal Griffin; "we have informed the Commission that we would place no obstacles in the way of any members of the British Section of the Palestine Police Force volunteering on termination of their present contracts for service with such an International Force."

It is also proposed to inform Cardinal Griffin that, according to the High Commissioner for Palestine, fair numbers of British volunteers would probably be forthcoming.

The draft reply also contains the following passage:
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considering the probability of creating a special Interim
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To refuse this request would seem contradictory to our previous assurances.

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## DR. GARBETT'S APPEAL FOR JERUSALEM

#### A SECURITY FORCE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT

YORK, MARCH 28

The Archbishop of York, Dr. Garbett, in his Easter sermon in York Minster to-day, appealed to the United Nations to establish a strong security force to safeguard Jerusalem on the British withdrawal.

drawal.

"There will be," DR. GARBETT said,
"the greatest danger that the Church of the
Holy Sepulchre and other places almost
equally sacred may be destroyed as Jews and
Arabs fight for possession of the city. Once
again its streets will run with blood and its
dwellings be reduced to ruins." As there
seemed little likelihood of both Arabs and Jews
agreeing to treat Jerusalem and its immediate
surroundings as sacred ground, the United
Nations should immediately appoint a Governor of Jerusalem with an international security
force strong enough to preserve peace and
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"Most earnestly I appeal," he said, "to the United Nations to take at once the steps necessary to save Jerusalem from destruction, and especially I would appeal to Christians in the United States to urge this course upon their Government. If indeed Jerusalem with its sacred places is buried in general ruin, then too late a cry of horror and shame will arise from Christendom and United Nations will have suffered a blow to its influence and prestige from which probably it will never recover. As to-day we rejoice over the empty Tomb let us also very literally in the words of the psalmist 'Pray for the peace of Jerusalem.'"

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W. C. R. J. S.

Dear McAlpine,

With your letter to Osborne of the 31st March, you enclosed a copy of a letter addressed to the Foreign Secretary by Cardinal Griffin on the subject of the protection of the Holy Places in Palestine. Mr. Creech Jones discussed this question with Mr. Bevin on 1st April, and I enclose the draft of a reply which my Secretary of State suggests that Mr. Bevin might send to the Archbishop. References to action contemplated by the United Nations Commission may have to be modified if, in the meantime, any further information is received from New York. Your Department will no doubt be able to arrange this. ,

Yours sincerely,

h. Dear Walin

Private Secretary.

R.D.C. McAlpine, Esq.

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WESTMINSTER. LONDON. S. W. I.

Please. 20th April 1948. Dear he Bevin, I am extremely grateful to you for the sympathetic way in which you received my suggestion of a force of Christian volunteers to guard the Holy Places. Judging from letters I have already received there are several thousand people who would like to join such a force. I do appreciate, however, all that the British Government has done, first to try to secure peace in Palestine, and also to safeguard the Holy Places, and I thank you for giving me such information on the efforts that have been made. You may have heard that I published my suggestion in the Catholic press and I am wondering whether you would like me now to publish your reply. I will do nothing until I hear from you again.

your sincerely.

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The Right Hon. Ernest Bevin, M.P.

28th April, 1948.

Dear Cardinal Griffin,

Thank you for your letter of the 20th April, which I am sorry not to have answered earlier, about my reply to your suggestion for a force of Christian volunteers to guard the Holy Places in Palestine.

My reply was prepared in close concert with the Colonial Secretary who, as you know, is now in New York, and I would prefer that it should not be published at least until I have had an opportunity of consulting him. There is nothing in the letter which in itself I think it would be objectionable to publish, but any statement on relestine is likely to have such wide repercussions at the moment that I think on the whole it would be better not to publish it.

If, however, you would like to pursue the question of publication, I am quite prepared to consult the Colonial Georgiany on his return, and I will then let you know our considered view.

Yours sincerely,

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His Eminence The Cardinal Archbishop of estminster.

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Home Office have received postal package addressed to Mr. Meleh, a Yugoslav interned during the war in India, returned to this country 8th Sept, 1947, repatriated to Yugoslavia 30th Oct, 1947. The package was received after he left this country, Mr. Meleh now requests that the package be returned to the sender in Palestine. Asks Foreign Office to arrange for the package to be dealt with as requested and Mr. Meleh informed

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31st March, 1948.

Sir,

#### Nikolaus MRIEH

I am directed by Mr. Secretary Ede to say, for the information of Er. Secretary Bevin, that the enclosed package No. 4020 addressed to Mr. Meleh, co Mr. Warner, Aliens Office, Bethnal Green, has been received in this office.

Mr. Meleh, a Yugoslav, was interned during the war in India and arrived in this country on 8th September, 1947, from Bombay for repatriation. He was repatriated on 30th October, 1947. The package was received after Mr. Meleh had left this country. Mr. Melch now requests in a letter dated 10th February, 1948, addressed to Mr. Warner and enclosed herewith that the package may be returned to the sender. Mr. Ede would therefore be glad provided -r. Bevin

The Under Secretary of State, Foreign Office, Whitehall, S.W.1.

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sees no objection, if errangements could be made for the package to be dealt with as requested by Mr. Melch and Mr. Melch informed accordingly.

I am, Sir, Your obedient Servant, PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE

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Mr. Wernier, Aliens Officer, Hilse Lane, Bethnal Green, London.

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Dear Sir,

the 1/th M reh, and totall you that, so long as His Majesty's dovernment hold the mandate for relesting. British troops and police will do their best to defend the inhabitants of that country against attack, and that they are performing this task with complete impartiality as between areb and Jew. There will be no weakening in the decision of His Majesty's Government to terminate the mandate on the 15th May and to withdraw all British troops by the 1st August.

Gens truly (Sga.) R.D.C. Mcalpine.

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10, Nowning Street,
Whitehall.
31st March, 1948.

I enclose a letter which the Prime Minister has received from Dr. William G. Hanrahan of New Jersey for such action as you think fit. No acknowledgment has been sent from here.

Your ever Lauri Jumper

J.P.E.C. Henniker, Esq., L.C., Foreign Office.

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Dear Chancery,

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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.V. 1.

14th April, 1948.

Dear Chancery,

We enclose a copy of a letter addressed to The Prime Minister by Dr. William G. Hanrahan of Springfield, New Jersey.

Pl ase send a suitable acknowledgment if you think fit.

Yours ever,

MASCERN DEPARTMENT.

The Chancery, British Embassy, Washington.

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DR. WILLIAM G. HANRAHAN DENTIST

NATIONAL BANK BUILDING - SPRINGFIELD, NEW JERSEY

U. S. ...

Prime Pinister 10 Downing street

I have visited your great country several times and met a number of your covernment leaders, had the pleasure of meeting colm Burns one of the first of the great labor leaders of your country. Let several other leaders an' enjoyed my many visits to the house of Tarliment.

in glad that ingland, France and the U. . . . are now standing towether as a protection for estern Turope and vivilization, orld Wide. Weep up the good work and when the vital questions of civilation with adjustments are straightened out will transcend many lipolimatic neves now on the political chess board to be consumated.

The great problem of settlement of the solyland and kindred questions in same sphere, has been running through my brain for many months. As I am neutral as beteen the Arabs and Jews an' a gentile will offer suggestion for your consideration as follows:

Mould it not be a good plan to cole the African Colonies formally controlled by staly to the dewish lace as a permanent honeland. It is said that there is a ric virgin soil productive of great crops and a fine climate. The France and Jews lived peacefull; until the malfour Thite Paper and since there has been discontent. That is your thought on this matter. I feel it should receive consideration.

2. writing to you as a former rember of our great "ypographial union and contributed later news to the press. any replies you sent would be considered as considential unless understood otherwise. If we could could have a shift in these colonies it would be far better than another war many persons think is pending.

Morning you keep in goo health with your many great responsibilities of state and you will be able to send an early reply, thank you in anticipation of same a rem in,

incerely an Officially, & Hanralan

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TELEPHONE 6-1130 MILLBURN

Hon. Clement Atlee

London, ngland

Dear Tr. Atlee: --

145 1. 4282 84 AFR 1948 1948 Palestine. Proposals by Mr. Morris Ernst. Registry | E4282/1/31 Number Refers Mr. Rundall's letter to Mr. Bell of 10th March (AN870/183/45), regarding Mr. Ernst. FROM Chancery WASHINGTON Mr. Ernst saw the Ambassador on March 31st and said that he was going to Palestine but he proposed first No. to visit the United Kingdom. His ultimate aim is to 1208/3/48 revive the proposal put to him by President Roosevelt in 1944, this is that the Palestine situation will Dated1st April be greatly eased if all nations can be persuaded to Received ) take their quota of Jewish refugees. He hopes to get in touch with Dr Magnes and Co, and then send a 6thin Registry letter to Mr. Trygve Lie urging the adoption of his programme by the United Nations. Last Paper (Minutes.) N.D. Tyl. 4247 References lattred a word of the 11th which I have sent (Print) (How disposed of) sufferies, that he should Le 11. 5.57. S. Plaphers (Action completed) (Index) Next Paper 4337 34967

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Ref: 1208/3/48 5 APR 1948 RESTRICTED BRITISH EMBASSY,
WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

1st April, 1948.

Dear Department,

Please refer to Rundall's letter to Walter Bell AN 870/183/45 of the 10th March about Mr. Morris Ernst.

- 2. Mr. Ernst came to see the Ambassador on the 31st March and told the latter, amongst other things, that he hoped shortly to visit Palestine. He proposed first to go to the United Kingdom and is, in fact, leaving the United States by air on the 3rd April.
- In conversation with the Ambassador Mr. Ernst referred to an old idea which he said President Roosevelt had put to him in 1944. This was that the Palestine problem would be greatly eased if other nations could be persuaded to take their quota of Jewish refugees. Mr. Ernst took some soundings about this at the time but the idea was dropped. He now wishes to take it up again on his own initiative, and the object of his visit to Palestine is to get into touch with Dr. Magnes and other likeminded Jews of standing, in the hope that they will agree to send a letter to Mr. Trygve Lie embodying his ideas and urging the adoption of his programme by the United Nations.
- 4. He left with the Ambassador a draft of such a letter. It points out the key role of immigration in the Palestine problem and the bad effect on the Arabs of the "pressed and hurried immigration" to which the Jews were driven by Nazi

/persecution.

Eastern Department, Foreign Office, London, S.W. 1.

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HT PHOTOGRAPH - NOT TO B ICED PHOTOGRAPHICALLY WIT MISSION OF THE PUBLIC OFFICE, LONDON persecution. This would, it continues, still be a difficult problem even for a Jewish State created under partition and the conclusion is drawn that good Jewish-Arab relations in Palestine can only be achieved if all members of the United Nations agree together to grant asylum to all Displaced Persons. This would enable the inhabitants of Palestine to view the problem in new terms and it might then be possible to set up a bi-national or federal state with Jewish immigration proceeding at a rate which would not alarm the Arabs. With the opening of other countries to Displaced Persons, those Jews who wished to immigrate into Palestine would be persons really desiring to work there rather than refugees. At the same time a Jordan Valley authority might be established with United States financial and technical assistance. In the meantime a temporary trusteeship should be set up in order to give time for the necessary arrangements to be made.

yill have much success in present conditions, but we thought that you might like to know about them since he may call at the Foreign Office while he is in the United Kingdom. If you think it worthwhile, perhaps you would inform Jerusalem of any approach he may make to you. We do not know how long he proposes to stay in the United Kingdom as no reply has yet been received from Jerusalem to the application which was made on his behalf for a visa for Palestine. If Jerusalem are not able to give this reply before the 2nd April they will send it to London.

Yours ever,

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# PRIVATE SECRETARY

# Mr. Morris Ernst

Tunderstand that Er. Ernst has asked to see the secretary of State. He is a wellknown and very able American lawyer and a prominent Liberal in U.S. politics. He is a friend of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who finds him a reliable and useful informant as he is in touch with a fairly representative cross-section of U.S. public opinion.

Inverchapel shortly before he left the United States. The object of his journey is apparently to interest prominent Jews there and, through them, the United Mations, in a plan to persuade all countries to take their quota of Jewish refugees in order to ease the situation in Palestine. According to Mr. Ernst, this idea was first put to him by President Roosevelt in 1944.

(P. S. Stephens) 7th April, 1948.

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En Clair by Confidential Bag. FROM MASHINGTON TO FOREIGN OFFICE Lord Inverchapel. No. 134 Saving.
April 15th, 1948. R. April 19th, 1948. Addressed to Jerusalem No. 45 of 15th April, repeated for information to Foreign Office. My telegram No. 40 [of 2nd April]. (112(31) State Department are pressing for early reply. Would you please inform United States Consul General also of your decision. 66666

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Lord Inverchapel No. 112 Saving

R. 6th april, 1948. APR 1948

2nd April, 1948.

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Addressed to High Commissioner. Jerusalem telegram No. 40 of 2nd April. repeated for information saving to Foreign Office.

State Department inform us that United States Consul-General in Jerusalem has recently discussed with Air Officer Commanding question whether United States Embassy aircraft from Cairo and Beirut may use Kblundia Airfield instead of Lydda for delivery of diplomatic bags or for other emergencies, owing to insecurity of road between Lydda and Jerusalem.

2. It appears that there is no difficulty in the case of the United States C-45 aircraft based on Cairo but that with one or two special exceptions C-47 aircraft are not allowed to land at this airfield. United States aircraft based on Beirut is a C-47 and special permission was granted for this aircraft to land on one occasion only on 1st April. State Department tell us that the Cairo aircraft may shortly become unavailable, but United States Consul-General in Jerusalem did not wish to approach A.O.C. again, as he was unaware of the reason which dictated the present policy of not allowing C-47's to land. (Presumably it is difference in respective size of aircraft.)

would approach you to see whether it might be possible. In view of the facts given above, for permission to be granted by the authorities concerned for the C-47 to land at the of diplomatic mail and airport in question for the delivery in any energency which might arise.

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### TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES

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PROM PALESTINE (Gen Sir A. Cunningham)

D. 19th April, 1948. R. 19th

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Addressed to Ambassador Washington. No. 273. Repeated to S. of S.

Your telegram No.40 repeated to Foreign Office by Confidential savingram.

Request by U.S. Consul General to use Kalandia A) rfield instead of Lydda for diplomatic bag.

- Air Officer Commanding has pointed out that merican Naval and Military Attaches in the Middle East have Already been given full authority to use any airfield under R.A.F. control including Kalandia, which they have been in the habit of using regularly. The only special the habit of using regularly. restriction in addition to those mentioned in paragraph 2 below imposed by the Air Officer Commanding has been to require clearance with this Government before carrying civilian personnel. Air Officer Commanding is ready to grant similar facilities to U.S. aircraft employed on consular autios.
- Governing factor is the nature of the sirfield itself, which has a very narrow single strip with difficult approaches obstructed by hills. For that reason Air Officer Commanding has imposed seme flight restrictions on all users. Light aircraft, E.G-C45, may use the airstrip without restrictions. C47, however, are really too large and R.A.F. have to limit use by their Dakota aircraft to a minimum manned by selected crews. Officer Commanding must insist that American aircract on consular duties should comply similarly in their own interests and that only specially selected crave, experienced at landings in a confined space, be used.
- The decision whether any particular crew was sufficiently experienced would of course be left to the Americans; but the R.A.F. could accept no (repeat no) responsibility in the event of an accident, and the Americans should realise that only the barest minimum of perfety facilities are provided at Halandia. In conclusion Air Officer Commanding observes that he has never can failed to great facilities requested by U.S. authorities and it is comewhat surprising that the number should have been rakes up through diplomatic channels instead of being settled There has nover heed now servecy about use of this simileld.

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The Prime Thinister Couse of Commons . Tordon St.

Ces a staunch sufforter of Great Britain's recent decision of definishing getting out of the own thoughers, and Ocostly job of maintaining the hardele in Palertine, Two as very surprised to read a leffer to the leditor of the char Jork Times, which appeared in to-days Vissue & of which Thum happing the liberty of enclosing a cutting. Of course this is profably only an individual opinion, but neverthe. les the fact, that the Times published such a lengthy letter, seems to me to fe guite significant.

penely interested to hear wholyour reaction is to this letter.

Jours respectfully Hora prevozy

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R. William 1.0 non. Clement R. Attlee Prime Minister Great Britain London, England: Dear Mr. Attlee: Although you are a burdened man, I hope you will find somehow the time to examine the attached material which deals with an already burdened problem-Palestine. Many of the points touched upon, I am sure, will be found of interest. Thanking you for your indulgence, I am Very sincerely yours, L. H. Hammer 68503 1438 Morris Ave. New York 56, N. Y. march 25, 1948

(From a letter to Virginia C. Gildersleeve, New York; dated March 21, 1948)

Permit me to answer your circular "THE PALESTINE PROBLEM FOR AMERICA" dated February 18 and printed under the sponsorship of seven distinguished personages, of whom you are one. All the arguments, seemingly, are there; but the spirit is lacking.

I would like to answer point by point. However, I must decline to deal with the technical and other points involving the U. N., as that would set in motion a series of arguments on the fundamentals and effectiveness of the U. N. itself. I will therefore limit myself to those iveness of the U. N. itself. I will therefore limit myself to those portions where justification is sought for a anti-Jewish solution on the assumption that it would best serve American interests.

In section "IV-B" you call to mind the following: In "1.": The American College at Baghdad, the American University at Cairo, the Protestant Missions, the Y.M.C.A.-Y.W.C.A., the Rockefeller Foundation—all American Philanthropic undertakings dotting the Arab countries. In "2.": You cite the American Airlines, the automobile agencies, the petroleum concessions. In "3.": You refer to the potent influence of the U.S. in the Arab lands. In general, these facts testify to the largess and beneficience we Americans have bestowed upon the Arab world.

NOW: Instead of urging that America use its potent influence to demand of the Arabs justice for the 'ews in return for all our goodness, you urge in effect that we cap all that goodness by throwing in the Jews and their 2000-year hopes for good measure. Is American goodness and American generosity toward one people a legitimate cause for destroying another people—destroying the hopes of 700000 Jews in Palestine and of a like number of wretched remnants in Europe? Or do you advocate this like number of wretched remnants in Europe? Or do you advocate this anti-Jewish solution as the one way in which America can "cash in" on its generosity toward the Arabs?

Know then: The prospects of "cashing in" on our goodness to the Arabs are very slim. The Arabs are able and willing to take everything we are prepared to offer them—oil royalties, universities, foundations, armaments—but we can expect very little from them in return.

In "C. Long Range Effect on American Policy" you advance the argument of the Middle East oil, the oil pipelines, and the "over one billion dollars" we invested in the area. Presumably you deem an investment of "over one billion dollars" a fair exchange for the life and happiness of 2,000,000 Jews in Europe and Palestine.

You have probably noted the last few weeks the dawning realization on many American minds that in the event of another war the Middle East oil and its pipelines would prove of greatest temptation to our possible enemy who is in a strategic position to overrun the whole area with but little effort. (I have no doubt that the Arabs will do nothing to impede that enemy.) Thus all the labor and treasure we may sink into that area may very likely prove of most benefit to our potential enemy instead of to ourselves. And for the doubtful privilege of groveling at the feet of the Arabs we are willing to sacrifice the "ews. That is a form of vandalism of the cruellest sort, because it will result in no constructive gain to any one, least of all to those who perpetrate it. It is the same form of vandalism which made possible the rise of the late erman war lead, which paved the way for the slaughter of 30,000,000 people (and maiming of) and at a cost to ourselves alone of some 300 billion dollars. And if now we tremble at the shadow of the Kremlin—who is in greatest measure res-

consible for all that but British and American leadership ever ready and willing to bargain away the lives and liberties of other peoples as the easiest way out for their lack of moral consistency?

Not only is your circular eager to ignore the human side, the justice of the Jewish case (in which principles you as Christians should be guilded), but you tell in effect to the American people: "Let us yield to this particular evil because in it there is greater profit." What if the victims of tyranny and slaughter will be left forever hopeless and had essentially that is that compared to the profit to be had in the destruction of Jews!

I, however, dispute not only the propriety of yielding to this particular evil because of greater profit—but I dispute your very thesis that in yielding to this particular evil we stand to gain anything except an evil sting which will bear ne profit to us either in the material or the spiritual sense. In this particular case an unbiased analysis will the spiritual sense. In this particular case an unbiased analysis will reveal far greater profit to us and to the world in doing justice.

What is the issue? It is simple. It is whether the 700,000 Jews in Palestine and the refugee Jews in Europe should be granted the right to work out their own salvation, or whether we should subjugate them to the will of an Arab majority whose leaders are blinded by lust and hatred. (Isn't the Arabs (shief leader a man who majored under the tutelage of that late infamous German war lord?)

An Arab minority will find salvation in a Jewish majority. But Jews will gain no salvation in an Arab majority. (Jewish lore and tradition concedes to the virtuous non-Jews equality and spiritual redemption within the Scope of the Almighty's wing. Moslem lore and tradition proclaims "Death to the infidels!")

Can you honestly say to yourself that this nation—the mightiest, the righest, the most glorious is dependent for its salvation on the destruction of the Jews in Palestine and the condemnation to perpetual homelessness of those Jews who escaped Europe's slaughter? What do you per sonally as a Christian stand to gain—what does Christendom in general stand to gain by condemning the Jews and by strengthening the hand of stand to gain by condemning the Jews and by strengthening the hand of its deadly enemy—Islam—which, once it regains its power of old, will its deadly enemy—Islam—which, once it regains its power of old, will become a more lengthening menace than the fleeting menace communism is now.

when you point to the "40,000,000 Arabs" as being against a ewish Palestine—you do not add that this is the contention of their assorted noisy and unscrupulous leadership who lord over those helpless millions noisy and unscrupulous leadership who lord over those helpless millions and manipulate their emotions at will. The Arab man in the street if but and manipulate their emotions at will. The Arab man in the street if but left in peace would not begrudge the "ew a tiny share of land of his own.

What tragedy it is to find Americans who have the power and the will to espouse a cause unselfishly stray into espousing a false premise. In this particular instance many sincere men and women are being led astray minds moulded in bias and clothed in a false patriotism which can bode no ultimate good to their respective countries. (It isn't that they love their country less, but that they hate Jews more.)

We are living in a comfuded world. As time passes we fail to bring clarity into our souls, but instead add to our inner confusions. I can assure you that American salvation in the future does not lie in denying the Jew his due. So is America's greatest peril internal and not external.

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and communism abread or at home is the least of our per perils. Communism is a quantity we can gauge and appraise; it is a problem we all can see and therefore can guard against—provided we exercise sound judgment and resist being stampeded into hysteria. Our deadliest perils lie in what we fail to see, and which therefore leave us exposed to a merciless grinding with not a recourse to defend ourselves.

Good Americans with the time and the power to devote unselfishly of themselves to a worthy cause can find here at home far worthier causes to champion than the cause of begrudging the miserable remnants of Jewry a strip of land wherein to work out their own salvation.

Here is a preview of America's future in capsule form—forgetting for the moment the immorality of your Palestine position:

Something within us, within this great country of ours, has gone wrong —a something which is leading America relentlessly toward disintegration. whether with or without another civil war some fifty years hence, we have set our course. Naturally, we have not set that course deliberately. But by the time an awareness of something wrong will dawn on the man in the street (perhaps thirty years away), it will mean that we have already advanced so far in the wrong direction that it will be impossible to turn back. By that time the basic causes of our misfortunes will long have been forgotten, for our confusions will be manifeld.

It is an inexerable law that when one embarks upon a certain path, and that path leads to disintegration—whether one is aware of his peril or not, whether one strides fast or plods slowly, he will eventually get there. I say this, assuming we will not embroil ourselves in another world war in the meanwhile. If we do, anything may happen.

However, of our five internal perils (two active and three potential) I place communism at the very bottom of the list.

So you see, my friend: Good Americans with time on their hands and the will to unselfish effort really have much to do besides worrying how best to reward the Arabs for having contributed so little of value to us and for offering so much less to us in the future—except, of course, the oil we can presently do without, and which we will have to do without should another war engulf us.

Sincerely yours,

L. H. Hammer



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The art writing to you in the name of our two and a half million to mbore in firty-three countries, and particularly, in the name of our members or paization, the National Student Federation of Falestine whose members are sufferring under the violence and terror now existent in that country.

deviced out its tack of light calestia, to make toin it, own democracy, the amorphish the power of the students and on all the people. We disappred on your lovernment's decision to refuse recognition of and to place all obsticles in the way of the authority and praciple, of the United Lations from Eastion. Further, we protest against the British lovernment's assistance to Arab States to wear arms and actively attack the Jewish people in calesting.

we wish to express strong protest and disapproval of your activities directed a manat the democratic Jewish and Arab people, thus increasing the difficulties of these people in their owe defence.

In the mome of the demicratic principles which you always proclair throughout the world, and the just demands of the democratic Jews and Arabs, we call apar you to immediately cease your policy of "divide and rule".

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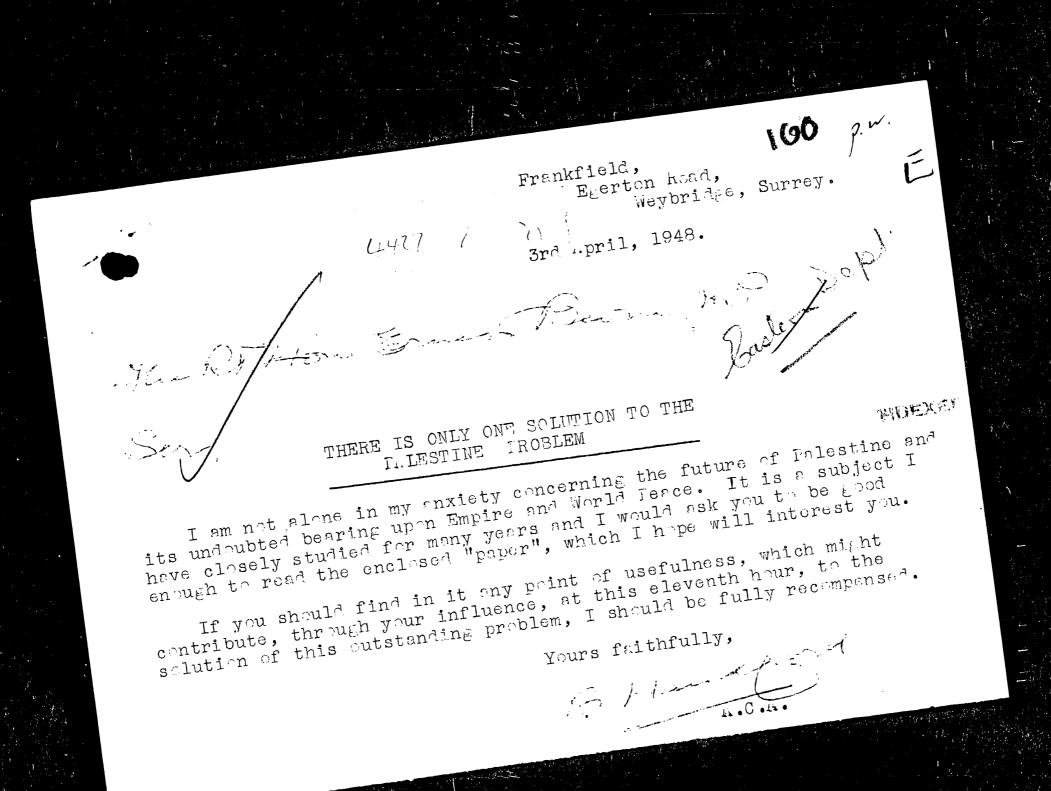
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## PALESTINE - THE KEY TO WORLD PEACE

# THERE IS ONLY ONE SOLUTION TO THE PALESTINE PROBLEM

BRITAIN HOLDS THE TRUMP CARD - THINK AGAIN BEFORE WE THROW IT AWAY

From the point of view of Humanity and World Peace, there is only one solution to the Palestine problem. It presented itself 30 years ago. Preoccupation with seemingly more pressing matters, lack of courage, lack of vision - whatever the explanation, the opportunity was courage, lack of vision - whatever the explanation, the opportunity was not firmly grasped. It has almost slipped away. But a kindly Providence, the love of Allah, the will of God - Moslem, Jew or Christian, call it what you will - has kept the door ajar. It is almost closed. There is what you will - has kept the door ajar. It is almost closed. On the just time to avert disaster. And BRITAIN IS AT THE DOOR!.... On the

After the 1914-18 war, when Britain had released Palestine from the Turkish Yoke, she accepted a mandate from the League of Nations for the administration of the Holy Land, which for 2,000 years has been/predominantly arab country, dominated for the most part by a foreign power.

In waves of typically British "generosity", instead of proclaiming for all time her trusteeship of the liberated shrine of Christendom, the country was virtually promised, first to the Jews - in the mistaken belief that, because of the clamour of a certain quasi-religeous but basically political minority (which we know as Zionists) there was any real desire, on the part of influencial Jewry, for a National Home: and then to the Arabs - in recognition of their part in the war of liberation.

Since it was manifestly clear, from the outset, that it would never be possible to fulfil both these "promises", the situation demanded early repudiation, by the British Government, of one or other or both of them. Have we not since discovered, to our deep regret and bitter cost, that it was never possible to implement either of them?

The first "promise", born of a well-meaning but misguided enthusiasm for an unworthy cause, should have been set aside on the ground that, if ever the sacred Shrine should pass again into non-Christian hands, the Arabs had, undoubtedly the stronger claim. The second hands, the Arabs had, undoubtedly the stronger claim. The second "promise" should have been rejected on economic grounds, for the safe"grounds of one of the principal sources of oil supply - developed by the guarding of one of the Mestern Democracies; on political grounds, wealth and enterprise of the Mestern Democracies; on political grounds, for the sake of World Peace; on religeous grounds, in the interests of all Christian Teoples; and on realistic and patriotic grounds, to safeguard the life-line of the British Empire: and, if this were not enough, then, on farsighted ethnological and humanitarian grounds, because it was unlikely that the backward and indolent Palestine arabs could resist either another foreign invasion to which they would be ever exposed or the (not necessarily) peaceful penetration of the politically minded Zionist movement with foreign financial backing.

REASON AND OPPORTUNITY WERE REJECTED. Whatever the explanation, this impossible situation was permitted to drag on unclarified until, after many thousands of Jewish immigrants had meanwhile been admitted to the sanctuary of British rule, the clash of Jewish and Arab to the sanctuary of British rule, the clash of Jewish and Arab interests, in the late 30's, called for military intervention - to be soon overshadowed by the dark clouds of World War II, which deferred any further chance of solution, sine die.

Wisely, neither Jews nor Arabs were permitted to raise large formations in defence against the Nazi threat but, fighting side by side in plateens and companies, each gave a good account of themselves in the common cause - and both acquired some military training....

Came the peace and, with it, the awakening of Arab nationalism, to challenge a swollen and war-minded Zionist opportunism. In between was challenge a swollen and war-minded Zionist opportunism. In between was the sorely tried but still patient mandatory Government, faced with the clearly impossible task of reconciliation - blamed and criticised for their impartiality, in limiting the immigration of displaced persons

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from the stricken Continent of Europe, for whose welfere other countries had at least an equal responsibility but to whom they would not open their own doors.

America, from the unenlightened and purely selfish standpoint of her own presidential election and the importance of the 3 million New York Jewish votes, has greatly embarrassed Britain over the past two years by her continued badgering for the "immediate" admission into Falestine of 100,000 Jews, regardless of quota and has exerted all her influence to bring about partition.

Fortunately for America and the Western Democracies, Britain has been adamant on this point and while striving ceaselessly, by putting forward every conceivable device for amicable settlement of Jewish and arab claims, even to the extent of partition, has taken a firm stand against enforcement upon either side.

Yielding at length to base ingratitude, she has decided to hand back her mandate to the "United Nations" which has superseded the "League" and has named the date of her relinquishment.

Ignorant, for all their criticism, of Britain's problem in Palestine and ready to grasp at any solution, the Nations, (despite the known antagonism of the Arabs, which finally brought Britain to her fateful decision) having seized upon America's erstwhile advocacy of Fartition, have, themselves, become fearful of the consequences of enforcement.

Now, as the menace of Russian Communist aggression looms ever more threatening over the bil-bearing Arab countries of the Middle East, america panics and repudiates Fartition, feebly suggesting a "truce" between the two contestants for the Holy Land, already at one another's throats - despite the firm, impartial, patient restraining influence of the British Army and Folice Forces. How such a truce is to be accomplished, where Britain has failed, is not even vaguely hinted. The Jews will not hear of it unless partition is agreed: the Arabs will have none of it if it is to pave the way to partition.

And who will hold the balance while partition is enforced or while the Nations think again for a workable solution? The Little Nations - while the Big Boys look on? The Big Boys then? - but THAT WOULD GIVE RUSSIA THE GREAT CHANCE SHE IS SEEKING to "join the party".....

The sands are running out - what can be done to save the situation? Leave Jews and Arabs to fight it out - like Hindus and Moslems of unhappy India? It would not be at Britain's door this time - she is but placing the responsibility in the proper hands!

Sell one side or the other or both sides munitions of war? Lease-lend? - What frightful carnage would result! What devil-sent opportunity for Communism! Agaih, in Britain's absence, who is to see that none of these things eventuate?.... IF ONLY BRITAIN WOULD STAY ON!!....

And why should not Britain stay on - on her own terms?

What of World Peace? of the pipe lines? of Christendom? What of Britain's Empire life-line? Have we not a sacred duty to perform - we who know the job and are doubtless best fitted for it?

OUR TERMS? - That we receive a Charter from the Nations, to which all will be invited to subscribe, but which will suffice if signed by America and the Western Democracies and accompanied by the declared support of the Christian Churches, enabling us, at this eleventh hour, to do those things which we have left undone in Palestine - to wit, reject, once and for all, both Jewish and mrab claims and endeavour to establish, in due course (when peace reigns and conditions are ripe), a BRITISH DOMINION OF FALESTINE.

(It would be a wise condition, precedent to our accepting full responsibility in Palestine, that the signatories to the Charter - Britain and the Dominions included - must covenant, firstly to open their doors

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This accomplished, that we set up a Military Government in Talestine, as an alternative to declaring Martial Law, and call for a truce between Jews and Arabs, a round up of arms, ammunition and military equipment and the suppression of lawlessness.

(It will be for consideration whether, for this phase only, we ask for American Lease-Lend and/or active military co-operation).

The second phase will be to invite Jews and Arabs to join together with the British, with Dominion status envisaged, offering them meanwhile, local government in their separate spheres, with representatives on the central government.

(It may be desirable, at this stage and for a limited period, to establish some form of Land Registry and to introduce in connection therewith, some restriction upon the transfer of land, to be exercised by the central government, in order temporarily, to discourage the buying-out of existing holders for political ends, financed from outside sources.

The question also of immigration and its limitation must necessarily remain in the hands of the central government who, in course of time, may find relief from pressure in this direction in a move towards emigration of its peoples, now British citizens, to the wider spaces of Empire.)

This transition phase has been tried before, you say? - but with this difference: NEVER BEFORE HAS BRITAIN RECTIVED THE BACKING OF THE NATIONS, which is the sine qua non of her agreement to undertake this

In these altered circumstances, both Jews and Arabs, knowing the worst and realising the futility of their conflict, will have no alternative worst and realising the futility of their conflict, will have no alternative to acceptance of the inevitable. Both are members of the Semitic Race, to acceptance of the inevitable. Both are members of the Semitic Race, to acceptance of the inevitable. Both are members of the Semitic Race, to acceptance of the early inhabitants of this blessed but unhappy land, decendents both of the early inhabitants of this blessed but unhappy land, in which it will be our Christian duty, as Custodians of the Holy City, in which it will be our Christian duty, as Custodians of the Holy City, to afford them peace and sanctuary side by side.

NEITHER JEW NOR ARAB HAS EVER HAD UNDISTUTED SOVEREIGNTY IN I.LESTINE. Neither, then, will have lost anything. Both will have sequired, for the first time in 2,000 years, the appotunity of dwelling in peace and security under conditions of freedom and justice. Jews should be grateful for the opportunity that Europehos denied them of expanding their stature and culture and self-esteem, as an accepted Community, while earning, at the same time, the good will and respect of the rest of the world, which may have been somewhat strained in the recent past. Arabs, in their hearts, will rejoice that their unbroken "heritage" is to be respected and maintained. They will welcome this direct contact and tie with Western Civilisation and its traditions for freed m and justice and true religeon (even if different from their own). They will accept it, in their wise vision, as the only alternative to the intrusion of Communism, with its God-less creed of confiscation and oppression, a ainst which from Ankara to Afghanistan, the only physical bulwarks are Islamic countries weak in defence and sustained by religeous beliefs. For them it is even more than a choice of religeon or no religeon: it is one of good or bad - right or wrong. There can be no question of Arab acceptance.

There is abundant evidence that this contribution to World Stability upon Britain's part (always assuming that the Dominions are in agreement) would be welcomed by her essential backers. Most of all by America, whose primary aim is the restriction of Communism, to which so potent and primary aim is the restriction of Communism, to which so potent and strategic an outpost as a British Polastine would clearly contribute, as strategic an outpost as a British Polastine would clearly contribute, as well as to the re-establishment of a strong Britain which America needs and desires, above all things, to witness.

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Because of this, we can reasonably expect a wider backing from america than the formal approval and covenanted support of our enterprise in Talestine. And indeed it would be necessary, as a condition precedant to Britain's accepting the Talestine Charter, that America should be willing to back Britain's economic recovery, not by Marshall aid, not by Loan at any rate of interest, but by mutual (if, in the first place, rather one-sided) Credits in the form of Lease Lend over a period of 50 years; not for the supply of tobacco and films or of any dispensable luxury, but for the provision of steel and other raw materials for our manufactories, whose output, over and above our own requirements, she would covenant to take so that credits may be met.

We for our part would set about the modernising of our industries and machinery as a first call on output and would hold fast to the Sterling area and the development of Empire, particularly as to its potentialities for the supply of food and tobacco.

we would fulfil our reasonable obligations to Western Europe, to the extent that they do not conflict with the bonds of Empire.

Let this be the signal to reverse the machinery of retreat from Empire and start building a ain in the interests of World Peace and Justice.

And, maybe, we could contrive a general election and a new government on this issue - to show the world that we are not going to waste our substance on idealistic social services before we can afford them or on costly state monopolies: but instead to foster the idea of co-partnership, at the same time offering incentives to individual endeavour and gradually to substitute higher wages for free and subsidised services.

We might also start again to teach good manners and the ten commandments in our schools and, inspired by our mission in Talestine, bring back religeon to our daily lives as a means of raising the selfesteem and neighbourly conduct of our war-worn and frustrated people.

Frankfield, Weybridge, Surrey. 3 Apr 48.

Bernard Handford.

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Sir.

L'office international la "Dernière Charité"

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London

Sir,

International Office "LAST CHARITY " accepte

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The Warren, Theydon Bois, Essex. 9th April, 1948.

Sir,

# Holy Places in Jerusalem

I am instructed to inform you that at a General Meeting of this Branch of the United Nations Association, held on 8th April 1948, the following Resolution was carried unanimously:

The Theydon Bois Branch of U.N.A.

Fearing that on the termination of the British Mandate in Palestine the Holy Places of the Christian, Jewish and Arab communities in Jerusalem will be placed in jeopardy, with many attendant dangers,

Believing that the formation of an International Police Force for their protection is an immediate necessity,

Urges H.M.Government to instruct its Delegates to the forthcoming Special Assembly of the United Nations to submit as follows:

- (a) Subject to a truce between Jews and Arabs obtaining on 15th May next, to offer to the United Nations the services of a volunteer force raised from British resources in Palestine with the sole object of protecting impartially all Holy Places in Jerusalem.
- (b) Such force to be open to voluntary recruits from any quarter; and
- (c) To continue in being until other arrangements are made

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by the United Nations, or until 1st August 1948, whichever is the earlier.

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We consider that the moral effect of such a gesture would arouse the conscience of the world and that a force such as that proposed could form the nucleus of the permanent International Police Force specified in Article 43 of the Charter.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(H.V.DAVIES)

Local Secretary.

The Rt. Hon. Ernest Bevin, P.C., M.P., Secretary of State for Foreign affairs, Foreigh Office, Whitehall, LONDON, S.W.1.

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way to God, the Father

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May God bless

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6407 Storer Avenue Cleveland, Ohio, April 7, 1948

His Excellency, Clement Atlee, Prime Minister of Great Britain 10 Downing Street London, England

My dear Prime Minister:

Some time ago I took the liberty to write you personally a letter outlining the Arab side of the present controversy, and amongst other things, I emphasized the fact that all or nearly all the Jews who have been illegally infiltrating into Palestine, have been trained and indoctrined in communistic idealogy and falsehood, and sent into Palestine with only one object in view, i. e., to foment trouble and create chaos, always subservient to "Kremlin" and preparing the stage for her - "Kremlin" to sooner or later under one pretext or another, send her troops into Palestine ostentatiously to quell or prevent further bloodshed to her nationals, Russian Jews.

The object of this letter is to humbly impress upon you the imperative need on your part to face reality and discontinue coddling or appeasing the Jews. You have one effective weapon, the "veto" - so far not exercised by the Western World. Why permit the Communists the sole prerogative in that respect? They have been using it till it is almost thread-bare. If you have the intestinal fortitude to refuse to accede to the unjust and outrageous clamor of the Jews for partition, you would gain the acclaim and undying gratitude of most of the Gentile world, and all of the Moslem and Arab world, and it also would prevent the Middle East from becoming another puppet of the covetous "Kremlin" and, incidentally, save the Middle East for you and America.

Meither the United Mations nor individually any other nation, if the tenets of the Atlantic Charter relative to self determination of smaller nations still are in force, have the slightest right or reason to foster any partition of Palestine, a distinct Arab country, whose inherent right to that country - both from an etnological as well as historical standpoint - is fully admitted and thoroughly understood by any one who ever studied his history - the Jews are merely usurpers, who once upon a time by force and sheer numbers conquered the country from the Arabs and were only able to hold it less than 100 years.

In all fairness would you say under those conditions that there could be any justice in their claim to call Palestine their homeland?

By comparison, would you be willing to admit that the "Swedes" were entitled to demand a certain part of the Seaboard of England and claim that part of England as their homeland, merely because their ancestors the Vikings - by force conquered a considerable portion of your country, what would your reactions be if such a ridiculous and irresponsible

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demand were made in open meeting of the United Nations and the Kremlin's somewhat moronic mouthpiece, A. Gromyko, whose chief claim to diplomacy lies in his ability to stage puerile, but highly publicized exits from lies in his ability to stage puerile, but highly publicized exits from lies in his ability to stage puerile, but highly publicized exits from lies in his ability to stage puerile, but highly publicized exits from lies under the "Swedes"? Absurd, yes, decidedly so, but it is just as unreasonable for the Jews to make their claim valid as far as Palestine concerns and any nation or group of nations who go on record as favoring partition of Palestine are influenced more by Jewish gold or threat of losing the Jewish vote in their respective countries, rather than by justice and fairness, vote in their respective countries, rather than by justice and fairness, and should be told most emphatically not to meddle in something that neither could nor should concern them.

The matter should be left entirely up to the Arabs without any foreign interference, and left to themselves. I know they would work out an equitable and just agreement between themselves and the Jews. They don't harbor any ill feeling or hatred against the Palestinian Jews, as a matter of any ill feeling or hatred against the Palestinian Jews, as a matter of any ill feeling or hatred against the Palestinian Jews, as a matter of they generally get along amicably and on relatively good terms, but fact, they generally get along amicably and on relatively good terms, but they do object to is the influx of the European Jews, more particularly what they do object to is the influx of the European Jews do not come for the Russian Jews, as they are well aware of. Those Jews do not come for a good purpose, but merely as forerumners for the spreading Muscovite aspirations.

To set the record straight and eliminate any possible misunderstanding, I feel prone to mention that I am a loyal American citizen of Arab extraction.

Respectfully submitted,

Salim Saif

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March 27, 1948

The Hon.
Clement Attlee
Prime Minister
Downing Street
London

Always anxious to learn the truth behind the news from I am submitting to you a report published yesterday in The Chicago Sun according to which your troops are shooting at jewish defenders when attacked by Arabs. Leaving us without an answer will be interpreted as admitting the facts giving stated in the report.

Respectfully yours,

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16 Letter to the Prime Minister from Zivota V. Stojkovič (A.E.C. Hostel, Shilton, Oxon). Précis. He has a plan for the solution of the Jewish problem, and asks that an official with a knowledge of Serbian should be sent to study and translate it.

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Your Excellency:

I hav Plan Jewish. kojim Jevreji žele do unište Hrišćane i ostali svet. Isti plan se nalazi kod nog druga Milorado Tezzića, HECHOSTER shilton-oron.

Molini 'asu Enselencia, possejite jednog vaseg c'inovorika, koji zna Srpski jezik, da ovaj plan prouči i prevede na Engeleski Jezik kako bi se so vjemu upravljuli i sprečili Kataklizmu ovog Coveranstva.

Tivot, u zajeanici sa Hristovu veru i u njoj da produko život, u zajeanici sa Hristoviu ali ovo ne vide Hristovi sad treba do se Jevreji pozovu na prijem Kristove vere ovo da učini baš Kraf Gordje sa vama i celim narodom vašim, ali prvo da je vratite Hristu Bogu i da povtite tri dona, posle posta, od tri dana, pozvati javno Jevrejimi morod na prijem Hristove vere, i tom prilizom oprostiti geke Jevrejima i om da oproste Hrisćanima i kroz oprostenje biće te spašeni vi i baž napodi celi met.

Taxotje u mojoj Bibliji ima ispisana mesta kako treba i šta tr ba da racite, i nju toj Vaj Einovinik nek proud ito nuesta koja som ja beleriv. Knjiga provoko Jone U manred Vam rahvaljujem.

Evota V. Styrovic A.E.C.HOSTEL, Shilton-ocon.

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188 Whiteladies Kd Clefton Bhistolf Viday afril 23rd 1948 H.M. Joreyn Secretary Dear her Bevir, This, my first letter to you, is written under extreme stress 8/ Keilais Situation in Palestine. I Wille Saus time apo to W alther, and lately to USA. and assador. I Write, believing you are aware of my very ricere and deep regard - for the future of Britain as a fusiclass Porver, and also minaful of our Great allies. Who ded so much to stear the lede of hazism and Fascism. and with our material belf. Trought lictory - but an Situation today is flutous indeed. This is meant truly, and sincerely, for you teromal Consideration Culting across all larty lives of approach, for uideed, Valestine. is a very knotty floblem to Solve. You Staked Your toletical Career - and Than given wend time and study. Voluntarily for the fast len years. to Foreign affairs. because I feet. I had a Devune Right - to act - thus, I am confelled - to act-Our troops in Palestine. have suffered lon- and I Suffer - Motection, and much aparest orfular apitation hose - there mill be an almed Force to Keeporder These men Should be volunteers, and the Church Shared Send their finest desciples, to Splead Olivstian Way of hife - his Devin, we need cleaner folities: there should be a folicy of Give and Take, and a more wider understanding - to Save the Holy Rand. from fuetter destruction - Duigapore was lost, for Cacle, of fiver ideals, of Ney administration Ne must not-lose, through inefficient officials our Right, to protect the unocculs in Palestine! May not seed hortgomen, on a teaceful unssion? There is Do wurch. - I should like to Say, -having regard to the four freedows. of Rate Resident Rossevell: There Should be, an annéable an augement, and truce. nothing will be gained by a show of military force Do believeme, a very sincere, as dent Peace lover. Your very faithfully Deetha adams (h

1. actacle MR.F. MULLARKEY. Took, P 17 APR 1948 Hook, Surviton P.W. Juney. 14/4/48: X/4 2: Castin Dept. To Mo E. Barin. The enclosed is a copy of a onggestion of nine for a practical approach to the Palestine question; which I have sent to the UN.O. in an endeavour to Left if rosable. Should its reach its destination, and should there he any misconstruction of motives or repercussions of any sort; I take sole and full reasonsibility. The object of my doing this primarily to make some constructive contribution to the preservation of how and order by peaceful means, and secondly to test functional Democracy, or rather my idea of St. In closing I wish you all success in your somewhat thankless tust yours Lincoly & Muly

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## Preamble

- 1. The main cause of the Palestine problem is a misunderstanding on ideological, and/or spiritual grounds as applied to the physical and/or material things, e.g. Territorial, raw materials, (economically developed and possible developed), & GTC.
- 2. Ideological and/or spiritual questions for functional purposes are finally and continuously settled by the individual on assimilation of all the verbal and/or written, arbitrary discussion propaganda etc. that happens his or her were
- 3. The only satisfactory way to settle differences between individuals and/or groups on material or spiritual issues is to allow as free a play as possible of all influences, without resort to physical coercion or force by individuals and/or groups on individuals and/or groups.
- h. Both Natural and Recorded Mistory prove that survival of any organisation or organism is dependant on its conforming to "Natural Law" governing its existence and development.
- The most efficacious way of discovering and recording "Natural Law" is the method used by "exact science". That is by the trail and error of mental cones tions against the physical application of thors conceptions, and recording the results in a manner that is capable of universal interpretation by all who have course to use this knowledge in the satisfaction of their own needs.
- The imposition of unproved political, economic, or ideological theory by any means leads to friction and disruption, whereas proven example is generally copied with omicable understanding and satisfaction.
- 7. Arbitrary discussion by individuals or their representatives on any given question or point can be limited by a publicised agreed time limit for discuration which rives all concerned the incentive to be decisive minded.
- 8. After discussion, let the individuals make their own decisions then their elected representatives will have authority(preferably signed individually) by approbation to act on the collective decision.

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## THE PROBLEM

Palestine is a portion of the worlds territory wherein certain people want to live for spiritual and/or material reasons. Some are already resident and know what it is like, while others wish to live there and think they know what it is like to live there. Also there are some people with material and/or spiritual interests in Palestine who do not wish to live there. The first step obviously is by open signature ballot to ascertain who wants to live there; conducted under the auspices of the U.N.O. of those people affected both in and out of Palestine (See questionnaire ballot form).

## THE ANSWER

This ballot given maximum publicity alone would have the psychological effect, and give enough data and authority to get effective action; by giving U.N.O. authority to act on the signed will of the people concerned and not on the hypothetical assumptions of the supposedly enlightened few. The difficulties of conducting the ballot may or may not be insuperable but they would probably be insignificant as compared with those encountered in waging total war. The results might be a little more constructive.

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BALLOT QUESTIONNAIRE

To whom it may concern.

This ballot is being conducted by the U.N.O. in an attempt to obtain an equitable and practical solution to the settlement of the Palestine question. The results will be used as authority for carrying out the physical measures necessary in implementing your wishes in the matter. Any person professing interest should return this form completed and signed to U.N.O. Any person who does not return this form will be considered as having no further interest.

> Signed (on behalf of U.N.O.)

- 1. Do you wish to live and raise children in Palestine (Answer Yes or No)
- Then can you take up residence (Approx. date only)
- Are you willing to take up and sustain a constructive occupation (Yes or No)
- Are you willing to make every effort to maintain Law and order by peaceful means (Yes or No)
- Are you willing to abide by the form of government to be set up by the U.N.O till such time as you consider it incompatible with your idea of self government (Yes or No)
- If you do not wish to become a permanent resident in Palestine but have some interests either spiritual or material, please state them as clearly and concisely as possible.

Signed	••••	• • • •	•••••	• • • • • •	•••••	• • • • • • • •	
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My Dear Mr. Atlec:

your recent statement on arm for the Tews and arabe in Palestine is either an indication of a lack of information on the Near East situation or a part of a plot to solve the Tewish problem in Palestine in the same way Hitler dealt with the German Jews. In the same newspaper in which I read your statement that there are no indications of British arms being put to improper use by being forwarded to Valestine [ N.Y. Times - 19 April 1948], there werethe following indications of the condition you dany 1- Arab sources claimed 5,000 drag and Syrian reinforcements, fully armed, arrived from abroad two days before to reinforce drab forces defeated at armegeddon recently. \$ 2-King Wodullah announced that many members of the arab Legion [British armed, led, and financed were put on the inactive list to permit them to serve against the fewe. They were permitted to take their weapons with them. The King also announced the British financed

force will invade Palestine on May 16.

3- The arab Cairo Keadquarters said that the that League countries would jointly invade Palestine on May 16. The news paper did not say that this was an official statement. 4- The previous day the N.V. limes carried an article from Terusalem talking of a Clayton Han in which the neighboring British armed arab countries would jointly occupy l'alestine under British planning and supervision. There was no substantiation for this information but the fact that it came from Jerusalem by a reliable correspondent shows that it is at least feasible and being talked of on the scene. 5- The various Arab states have repeatedly declared their intention to invade phalestine. It their own words are not an indication that they intend to use the arins in Valestine what The repeated actions of the Labour Lovernmente colonial office [are they in change of mandolas] has lost the support of a number of American supporters and now the Palestine policy with its great effect on the U.N's future is tending to still buther increase the power

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I wish to make a personal appeal on the behalf of myself and other friends of England in the U.S.A. to you as the leader of the English Labour Party and Sovernment to ricexamine your falestine policy and once more apply to it the humanitarian principles which have formed the basis of the Labour Movement. There is still time to undo thegreat Karm done to Englande reputation by her carreer colonialists handling of the situation and a firm stand will much more effectively enhance British prestige in the whole Hear East than a jeligfish-like stand which would show the brake a precedent for dealing with England and which may result in the distruction of a long suffering people. Respectfully yours Vincent Marshall

This is meant as a personal appeal and he hope it will give you an opportunity to reappraise your stand on this matter

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March 18, 1948

The Hon. Clement Atlee Prime Minister of Great Britain, No. 1.0 Downing St. London, England

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Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

In Preparing a sermon for Palm Sunday" Jerusalem, Past, Present, Future," I find a wealth of clippings from American magazines and news papers, which give the frightful record of all the Jewish blood on the hands of the British. These clippings tell of how the hot heads in the colonial office stirred up the peaceful Arabs, which lived peacefully with all people for many years, until the English got the Mandate of Palestine. In World War I, Britian foolishly made committments to both Arabs and Jews that she could not perform ( more of these damnable, secret deals, that has plague Europe and the world for hundreds of years, for which the English are past masters and then to get the oil and appease the Arabs, the Enhlish used the Maps methods of creating incidents, looking for an excuse to sell the Jews down the river. Mr. Atlee, it is knows to all the world that The white paper of 1939 was not only inhuman but illegal. Many innocent Jews died because the British tried to keep them in Hitler horror camps. I majored in history, and I know of nothing in all the history of the English people, as foul, and rotten and dirty and mean and Hitlerish, after all the betrayal of the Jews and ingratitude (30,000 Jews in English Army in the East) as to force the refugees whom God mercifully preserved from Germany, to go back.

Why is England on her knees? "hy is England Hungry? Why is the sun setting of the great empire? I will tell you why! England has forgotten God. England has faught the Jew when she ought to have been fighting Hitler. England made friends with the bloody Turks. England played dirty politics with the devil in the Vatican. England sold her moral and spiritual soul for a political mess of pottage. I have always been a great admirer of the English. But since World "ar II, I have my belly so full of anything British, and I am sorry now that Hitler did not go over and give the thankless, godless English what they deserved. Outside of Russia, I know of no nation in world history helped as much as England, as thankless and wanting in gratitude. Had we the courage and manhood to run the war, as it ought to have been run, we could have and would have told the English to stay on their own, God-cursed shores, and let us alone, and we could and would have won the war two years sooner. General Montgomery was a great man of God, a great General, until African successwent to his head, A 1 he did in the European theaterof War was to make trouble and delay and brother Ike.

We sacrifice to send food to Europe and the English take our grain to make liquor out of it. We send help, and the godless English use that help to destroy the gains of labor, to destroy democracy, and to bring in communism all over via the short cut of your godless, damnable, hell-bound socialisl.

I believe that the hand of God is going to fall as heavily upon England as upon Germany, England is weighed in the balances and found wanting. Radicals, devils, tools of hell, fooks, motal enemies of Christ and the Chursk are in high places. England chose Barabbas at its last general election. England chose the path of materialism. England turned its back on God. Now Eng and is going to taste the wrath of God. God have pity upon that blinded, mis-led, sin-cursed people.

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America is tired of helping the English, only to be slighted, criticized, and be given the run-around and cut-throat economic knives in the back. We are tired of saving the English and paying their bills and righting their wrongs, and rescuing them from the blunders. The only way to teach you fools a lesson, is to let you waim or sink this time. You are a nation of spoiled children. You do not deserve a crust of bread. All you deserve is the cruel domination of Communism. I am speaking of the nation. I know that there are good people, Christian people, innocent people in what was once a great God-fearing, Sunday-keeping, Church going people. Socialism, communism, secularism, pagan science, pagan ducation, colonialism, Catholicism and sin have eaten the moral and spiritual heart out of England. All is left is the hull, the husk, the past glory.

As a Christian I am in favor of helping every needy woman every hungry child, every sick man of Europe regardless of nationality. But I am feed up and I speak for millions, of helping a people that has fools, morons, idiots, puppets of the devil leaders. Never in all British history, has there been so many weak, stupid, incompetent, spineless, bid-mouthed bumb in high office.

Either the English people will have to come to their senses and clean house, purge the government of investing rats, or the Providence of God will step in and teach the nation a lesson of history. Righteousness exalteth a nation but sin is a reproach to any people. They that hate and persecute the Jews, shall find God's wrath upon their neeks. Why some of your leaders are almost as wicked, blind and stupid, as we have in Washington. I take no self-righteousness attitude, for I know our national sins better than you, but with all out national sins, we are not going on, finishing up where Hitler left off.

Palestine is going to explode in your face and God is going to bring you to your knees, to want, to suffering and pain and agony, such as the English have never had in all their history.

Not once nor twice in all your English cory. The path of duty became the path to glory.

But you have turned from the path of duty. Civilization as it is in Europe is so rotten, so corrupt, so worthless, that it is not worth saving. We are near the end of this age. Russia will soon be marching on Palestine. The Old Roman Ampire will take sides against bloody Joe and will become the U.N. which in the end will be the tool of the Beast. Yes, I know, the wise of this world laugh. They laughed before the flood. Tehy talked peace in 1914 and peace in our time in 1939. War is coming. The nations are on the march. Armegeddon is for our day. Jesus is coming back. God will roar out of Zion. God will thunder from Beaven. Every city (London) will call. E very Island (The British) will sink under the sea. God is angry. God is tired of man's sin and folly. God is angry with the nations. He is coming in fire and war and wrath. Nations cannot defend themselves against the wrath of God. If we hide in the bottom of the sea, there He will command the serpen to bite them. When will the nations repent? Never. Not until the fire of God sweeps them into hell, not unto the Mountains crushes the ten toes, will the nations learn. So good-by England. You have made a great contribution, as Greece, and Rome, but your hour has come. The harvest of the world is ripe. God is colecting his tax. Shrug your shoulders. Hitler's bombing in nothing compared to what is coming England, Merry England The Christian England of the Fast, is sinking, is going down as a proud Man-oWar, mortally wounded. And YOU Mr. Atlee, gave its the mortal wound.

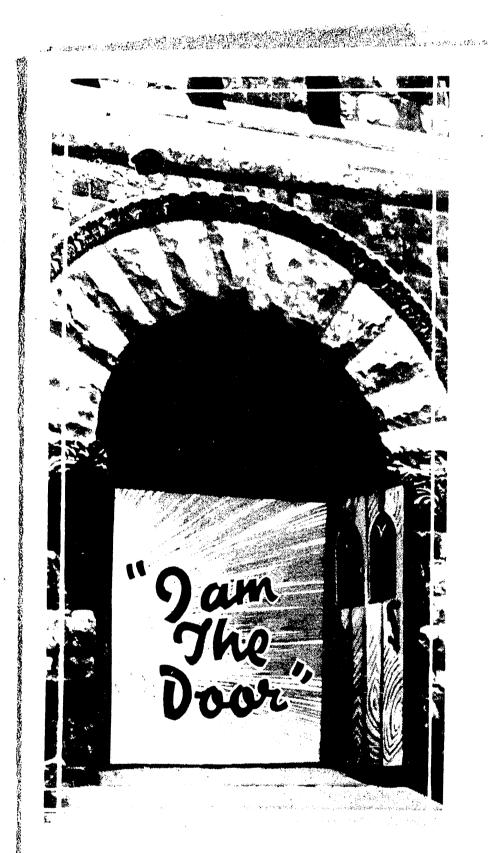
God have mercy upon your soul and your people,

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#### I AM THE DOOR

The Lord Jesus presented Himself as the *Door* to salvation.

He said: "I am the Door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out and find pasture" (John 10:9).

Let us consider every word of the statement: "I am the Door".

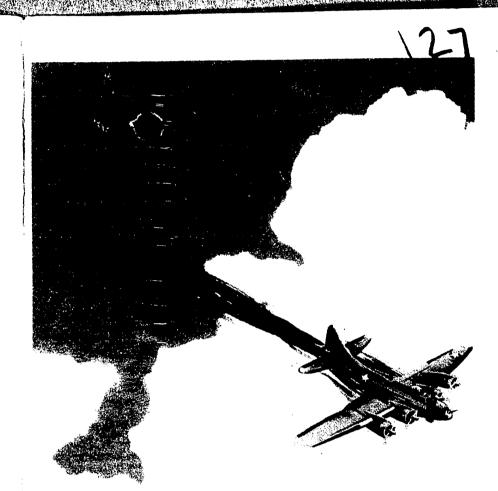
The personal pronoun "I" refers to the Lord Jesus Christ. When He says "I am the Door," He excludes everything and everybody else.

Hence the Church—although a divine institution—is not the Door. The preacher—although able to point his hearers to the Door—is not the Door.

The ordinances—although given by the Lord—are not the Door. Good works—although enjoined upon believers—are not the Door.

The Lord Himself is the Door! He said: "No man cometh unto the Father but by me" (John 14:6). It is written: "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12).

The word "Am" deserves serious consideration. He did not say: "I was the Door"—as though it were only true in the past.



"The Man Upstairs"

The following is an editorial from the Houston Chronicle:

"The Man Upstairs brought me down. I talked to Him. I talked to Him pand He must have heard me."

That is the only explanation, says Lt. Matthew L. Vinson of Houston, of his surviving the crash of his burning, bomb-filled plane into a mined area. He couldn't see ahead of him as he handled the stick. He takes no credit for making a safe landing by instinct. The credit, he says, belongs to "The Man Upstairs."

There is no flippancy in the youthful flier's manner of referring to God. He could not have spoken more reverently if he had said "God," or "The Creator," or "The Supreme Being."

One could discern, reading the young man's account of his experience, that "The Man Upstairs" seemed very close to him in those terrifying moments when he was almost roasted alive, yet couldn't jump because his parachute had been blown out of the ship. He talked to Him, asked Him to save him by some miracle. And a miracle it appeared to be.

#### Oxygen Box Explodes

The Flying Fortress of which Vinson was co-pilot had just taken off when an oxygen box exploded, tearing a big hole in the ship and setting it afire. Metal doors were fused by the terrific heat.

The other crew members escaped because air blasting through the hole forced the flames to the back of the fuselage, allowing them to reach the escape hatch. One by one they jumped.

Then came the second explosion. It blew Vinson's parachute away. The bombadier, last man to jump, offered to stay with the co-pilot or attempt to descend together with one chute. Vinson, knowing they could not get out the escape hatch together, pushed the bombadier out.

Then the young co-pilot, facing almost certain death, tried to get the Blackheart, Jr., out over the water so no one would be killed by its bombs. The plane was burning fast. The machine gun ammunition began exploding. The bombs ratht do the same any moment.

All time, Vinson relates, "I talked to Him. I talked to Him plenty-and He must have heard me."

The flier could not see ahead of him and the instruments were blacked out. But he could see out a side window. He found he was still over land, about 3,000 feet up, and not spinning. The ship still responded to a hard tug on the stick. He decided to try to land on the beach.

#### Blows Up in Mine Field

And still the tale is not done. The Fortress settled to earth in the middle of a heavily mined area on the English shore. Coastguardsmen who knew the path through the mines brought Vinson out. And then the plane blew up as its 2,000 pounds of bombs exploded from

Vinson's own part in the amazing incident is a story of pure heroism from first to last. But the landing, he insists, was not due to his skill.

Here is another soldier who, we may be sure, never so long as he lives will doubt the power of prayer. There are many such. Enough personal testimony has appeared in print since the famous maxim from Bataan: "There are no atheists in fox holes," to fill a good-sized book.

The Lord Jesus Christ is variously called:

"The Son of Man" Luke 19-10

"A Man of Sorrows" Isaiah 53:3

"A Man approved of God" Acts 2:22

"The Second Man" 1 Corinthians 15:47 "The Man Christ Jesus" 1 Timothy 2:5

"The Man at Thy right Hand" Psalm 80:17

He has also been called:

"The Man of Galilee"

"The Man of Calvary"

"The Man in the Glory"

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The expression: "The Man Upstairs" when used reverently would signify that the Soh of God is no longer on the Cross where He died for our sins, but exalted to Heaven were He is "able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them" (Hebrews 7:25).

"Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved"—from a lost eternity, which is a far greater deliverance than that from a bomb-laden, burning plane over a heavily mined area!

Mrs. Ida Bassett Botts, a Texas poet, has submitted the following original poem, on:

#### THE MAN UPSTAIRS

To him who doubts there is a God And has no faith in prayers, Remember that co-pilot, and His talk with "The Man Upstairs."

Remember Rickenbacker too, And the tale to which he swears; The amphibious dangers to his raft, And his talk to "The Man Upstairs."

There is a God—a loving God, Who governs world affairs; Such miracles are daily wrought By Him, "The Man Upstairs."

This war will not be won by might— None are, the Book declares; But victory comes as a nation prays, And trusts in "The Man Upstairs."

By Tom M. Olson

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He did not say: "I will be the Door"
—as though it were something that
would only be true of Him in the future.

He id: "I am the Door." He is the Door in the present—right now. That is why we are invited to: "Come now" and "Enter now." We are assured that: "Now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor. 6:2).

The definite article "the" is to be noticed. The Lord Jesus did not say: "I am a Door"—as though there were many doors. All roads may lead to London (or Rome) but all doors do not lead to Heaven.

The Lord Jesus is not one of many doors, but the Door—the only Door. He said: "There is none else" (Isa. 45:22). "No man save Jesus only"-(Matt. 17:8).

The word "Door" is appealing in its simplicity and suggestiveness. We all know what a door is and what it is for—a door is an entrance, a portal, a means of access.

The Lord Jesus is the entrance to Salvation, to Peace, to Eternal Life, to Divine Glory, to Heaven and Home!

And is it not fitting that He should be the Door? For He is the only One who died for our sins, that He "might bring us to God" (1 Peter 3:18).

It was His precious blood that was shed for the remission of our sins (Eph. 1:7). He has been raised from the

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dead and is the "First-fruits of them that slept" (1 Cor. 15:20).

He alone is worthy and able to say: "I am the Door: by Me if any man enter in, he shall be saved."

Now notice the simplicity of God's way of salvation—"By Me if any man enter in he shall be saved."

Not by Law—not by works—not by character — not by conduct — not by money, but "by Me", said the Lord Jesus.

"By Me if any man"—any person, man woman, girl or boy—"enter in, he shall be saved."

The Door is wide open! You have an invitation to enter. He says: "Come unto Me" (Matt. 11:28). Will you enter now?

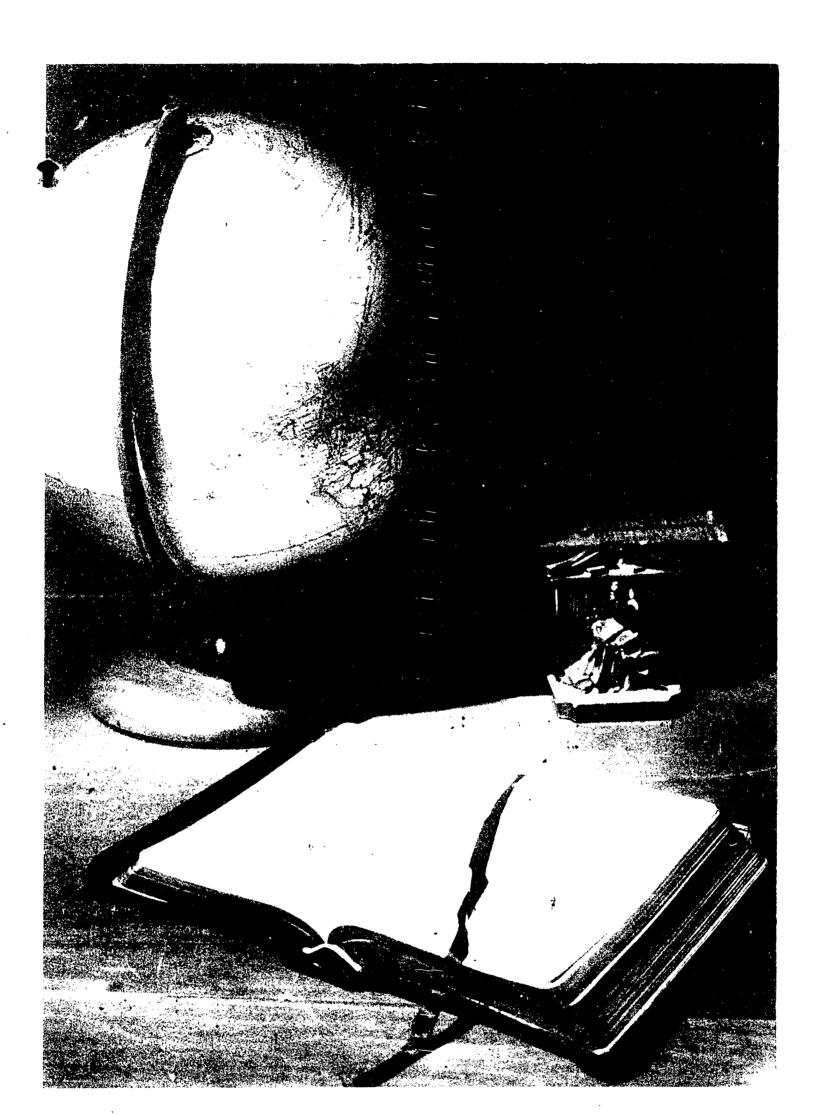
When you enter, you are in the flock of the Great Shepherd, and you may go in and out among His sheep and find pasture.

In Christ you are a new creation; then the ordinances should be observed, then good works should be diligently maintained, then you should "honor the Lord with thy substance", then your conduct should reveal the fact of your salvation.

"There is a Door—and only One
Yet its sides are two,
Inside and outside
On which side are you?"
—Tom M. Olson.

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Manse at 10816-12th Ave. S.W..Tele. (Glendale 14822)

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Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.

Doxology-Invocation-Gloria

Hymn No 10 LOVE DIVINE

Scripture Lesson, John 3

Prayer

Hymn No. 120 AMAZING GRACE

Offeringfor the Lord

Choir Sings " I AM SATISFIED WITH JESUS"

Ordination and Installation of elders

Story for Children

Sermon "THE NEED OF SALVATION"

Closing Hymn. No. 284YE MUST BE BORN AGAIN

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Mt. View Young People 6:00 P.M. Laetitia Luts, Leader Junior C.E. with Mrs. "estphal

Evening Service 7:00 THE LOVELINESS OF JESUS. Friend, how can you spent an hour more profitably than to be in the Houseof God, with the People of God, studying the Word of God, so that your life will glorify God?

Monday 7:30 Session Meeting at study

Wednesday \$:00 P.M. Prayer Meeting. What is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. We need prayer help now!!! Officer, teacher, if free, come and pray with us for the church.

Thur. 12:30 Missionary Tea at the home of Mrs. Thomas Hutchison, 1521 S.W. 104th. Bring a friend along.

"Make full use of the Saviour and He will make full use of you." Not failure but low aim is crime." Lewell

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- 1. Keep out of dept-pay as we go, or go without!
- 2. Take free-fill offerings for obligations.
- 3. Recommend tithing at least where man and woman are Christians, and asknowledge Jesus as their Lord.
  - 4. Make a monthly report of receipts, expenditures.
- 5. Adopt an annual budget by the Congregation, and elect officers to administer that budget faithfully.
  - 6. Prayer, in public and private for God's help.
- 7. Acquaint the friends and members of the church and Sunday school with the imvestment value of this good work.

We trust that all will use envelopes; will make a weekly contribution, will pray about what to give and what to withhold, and will give their benevolence, missions, charity, etc through the church. That is, in addition to your weekly offering, if you want to give to the Red Cross, Relief, Community Fund, Lepers, American Bible Society, etc. put it in an envelop, mark the envelop with your name and the payee, and every cent will be sent to the place you wish. This method is more Christian, more glory to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The Church gets a bad name because most Christians, with the lowe of God in their hearts, give through secular, Christ-rejecting, or Egristdishonoring agencies. If it were not for the Christians whose heart God has warmed and loved, what would happen to the charities of the world? It is the church that begat, inspired, founded, affected the birth and development of these great social agencies. W here is there a worthy institution founded by the chn, of an unbeliver? Where are the by-products of atheism?

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Men are lost and need to be found. Luke 19:10. Men are spiritually dead in sin, Eph. 2:1-3 and need to be raised from spiritual death. Men are alientated, astranged from God (Eph 4:18; Col. 1:2;) and need to be reconciled to God. (II Cor. 5: 18-20). Men are blinded to spiritual truth( 2 Cor 4:4; I Jn 2:11) and need to have the eyes of their understanding booned Acts 26: 18!! Men are under the power of Satan(I Jn 5:19; Heb. 2:14-15 and need to be rescued by a greater Champion. Men are under condemnation now, under a sentence of doath: Rom. 5:12; 3:19; John 3:18,36. Men are without righteousness Rom, 1:29; 3:9-19(2 Cor 5:21). Mon are without holinoss Rom, 1:18; Hob 12:14. Men'are without an excuse before God Rom.1:20; 2;1; Jn 15:22;Isa. 28: 4.15. The heart is deceitful, Jore. 19:9; The will is stubborn and defiant: Jn 5:40; Matt. 23:37:2 Pet. 2:10 Acts 7:51; Jero. 44:16; Zech. 7:11; 2 Chron. 24:19 . That which is born of the flesh is flesh John 1:13;3:6. Flash and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, I. Cor. 15: 50; To believe not is to perish, John 3:15-16. To believe not on Jesus is to die in your sins. In 8:24 The soul that sinneth it shall die. Ezek 18:4; The wages of sin is death Rom 6:23; There is frightful judgment, death and hell, too terrible to think about pronounced upon those who willfully, wickedly, deliberately reject the Satiour, tramp upon atoning blood, insult high heaven, spurn Heavenly grace and make God a liar, by saying: it is not true; He will not see it; God is loving, He will not send judgment. Hold your breath, tremble as you read: Psalm 9:17:Isa. 24:1-7, 17-23; Isa. 66:15-24; Zoph. 1:1-18; Joel 2:10pl3; Hag. 2:6-7; Zech. 12:1-9; 14:1-13; Mal. 3:5; 4:1; Watt. 3:12;5:22; 11:24;12:36; 13:37-50; 15:13; 21:44; 22:7-13: 24:39,51; 25:30,41-46; Mr. 9:42-48; Lk. 20:47 Acts 17:31; Rom. 1:18; 2:1-16; TI Thess. 1:7-9; Heb. 9:14; 12:29; I P 4:17; Rev. 20:10; 21:8; 22:11. By hearing and believing the Word of God, you obtain faith. With Faith you lay hold upon God and all His gifts and graces. He saves. He does everything. All God asks of you is to trust, believe, RECEIVE JESUS.

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The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Foreign Office.

Whitehall, LONDON, S.W.1.

Sir,

The people of this country will this morning read with dismay that H.M. Government is, in order to placate the U.S.A., considering a proposal that our troops should be used, along with American and French troops, to police Palestine after May 15th.

Such a course of action on the part of H.M. Government will be absolutely contrary to the wishes of the British people. After the statements which have been made by Mr. Ernest Bevin and Mr. Creech-Jones, such a course would be a betrayal of the masses of the people. Everyone is agreed that quite enough blood of British soldiers and police has been shed in Palestine and if any policing of Palestine is necessary after May 15th, it should not be done by British troops but by those who up to now have taken good care to keep out of it.

The handling of the Palestine question by the U.S.A., has been atrociously bad but that is nor reason why British troops should be called upon to make further sacrifices. If the Government gives way to this pressure from the United States, it simply means that aid under the Marshall plan is to be purchased with the blood of British soldiers. I sincerely trust that all such pressure will be resisted and that the promises repeatedly made by the Government regarding Palestine, will be fulfilled.

Yours faithfully,

Dienert Schafield

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# CHRISTIAN ARABS DENUNCIATION OF PARTITION

The Palestine Christian Union which consists of representatives of all the Christian communities in Palestine, held a Press Conference on 3rd March, 1948, in the Hall of the Coptic Orthodox Patriarchate in Jerusalem, at which it issued the following statement expressing the attitude of the 150,000 Christian Arabs in Palestine towards partition and addressed to all world religious and political bodies:—

"The painful and regrettable situation now prevailing in Palestine prompted representatives of all Christian Communities of the various denominations to hold a joint meeting for the purpose of discussing the abnormal position which the country has reached, realizing, as they did, their responsibility towards members of their respective communities, spiritually, morally and materially. The meeting was attended by representatives of:

The Orthodox Patriarchate
The Latin Patriarchate
The Armenian Orthodox Patriarchate
The Custodian De Terra Sancta
The Vicar of the Melkite Patriarchate
The Arab Evangelical Episcopal Community
The Coptic Patriarchate
The Vicar of the Armenian Catholic Patriarchate
Metropolitan of the Syriac Orthodox Community
The Vicar of the Syriac Catholic Patriarchate
The Arab Lutheran Community in Palestine

"Having given careful consideration to the situation now prevailing in Palestine, they decided to address this statement to all world religious and political bodies, in which they seek to give expression to their deep sorrow and strong indignation at the lamentable situation in which the Holy Land, the cradle of peace, has been placed as a direct result of the erroneous policy which

has been imposed on the country and which has culminated in the partition plan.

"It is our firm conviction that peace will not be restored nor would any endeavours made for the promotion of the 'peace of Jerusalem' be crowned with success unless those bodies who undertake the determination of the future of Palestine would remove the causes which has made a battlefield of the Holy Land, re-establish the principles of justice and maintain the right of self determination as evisaged in the charter of LLN

"The Christian Union wishes to declare, in unequivocal terms, that they denounce the partition plan, being of the strong conviction that this plan involves a violation of the sacredness of the Holy Land, which by its nature and history, is indivisible; and represents an encroachment on the natural rights of the Arabs, the people of the country.

"The Christian Union wishes further to declare that any attempt to enforce the erroneous policy by force will inevitably be doomed to failure for 'right' is a stronger weapon than 'might.'

"In view of our close contact with the various classes of our communities, we deem it our duty to draw the attention of all responsible authorities to the fact that the Christian Arab community in Palestine of all denominations is in complete agreement, in principle and deed, with their Moslem Brethren in their endeavour to resist and ward-off any violation of their rights or any encroachment on their country.

"We therefore appeal to all those in power and authority to make their best endeavours for the restoration of peace and tranquillity to the Holy Land by revoking the partition plan, ensuring the unity of Palestine and promoting the welfare and prosperity of all its people."

Arab Office, 92, Eaton Place, London, S.W.1.

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19, Luxemburg Jam Brook Green, M. 6 April, 21/48 lo Mr. Bevin Foreign Secretary Six, - I trust you will forgive the liberty I am taking in addressing you again on. the subject of Palectine. In Sunday's Express (apr. 25) I read " as the situation in Valentine dengenerales, and the date of our withdrawal appearance, there are disturbing reports of a change in British policy. " One we .... with? It is hard to believe that Mr. Bevin will tell in that. "If there is .... "No single conscript.... It is only human and natural that such a sentiment should be expressed. Is there one of us who does not recoil with horrer and disgust at the thought of British soldiers

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bring peace and quiets to the world. Go bed in history, as I have done, and you will see that the Jews are at the back of all the trouble and dishonesty. Would, that I could see you - Think I would your hair stand on end. Further, is it fair to sacrifice not only on loys and the alabs let also these pool, fanatical Jews driven to it by the Jew-Freemarono of the Brai Brith and the Jew members of the Kremlin (who pusibly also belong to the Brai Buth, whose sole aim is World tominion? My last ( for serhess the moment only), may I remind you and Mr. Vruman of the very heavy responsibility which is yours: The safety and peace of the world and shirt it. at the same time you must hup all possible secrety and lake all care for your sefety. The sepeck-weing News-mentions your gring to america, livit Thumak. May god bless. you both and take, wer of you is the earnest player of M. Williams. Esque blots and bed writing. My kands suffer.

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MrMErnest Bevins 10 Downing St. London England. MA DORY

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Dear r. Bevins

Here is another of those letters on "The Palistine Dilemma.

While it contains much of what I have sent to you before but as "The Dilemma is still acute and as yet it has not been cleared up (Satisfactorally to many)

I thought you would be interested in getting all the viewpoints available among the which, the inclosed may not be the least important:

The inclosed is very similar to the last one I sent to our own mrNMarshall

The main additional thought is "The suggested significance of the sufferings and persecutions of the Jews all down through the years and now their added disappointment :also the significance of the resistance the Arabs are adding to it all also the suggested acid test for -- not only the "Who's who " of nations but "when "and "how" the Jews themselves will have to declare themselve namely "The acknowledgement of "The way of life(Civil)in scope) as either "The Way"Christ came to show to this lost world(but for His coming) or be Sodom Ideology" lured into "The snares of "Anti-God by the refusal to acknowledge "God's Sponsored Choice of leadership- Whose interpretations of Sovereign Right" must be accepted as they whole-heartedly accepted David's leader-ship when Jerusalem received its name " (That ought not to be difficult for them to com-The problem is to get this view-point to the unpreductived Jews. prehend) The Zionists may be so set upon their interpretations that they would refuse to ever listen to"an alternative " I do hope you will do all you can to give any responsible interested one the benifit of the inclosed view-point.

I would be glad to send one to any you might suggest but you can show ato the m (and her husband too of course) (Why not The King and The Queen and The Princess ? Perhaps they already have thoughts along the same lines (in fact we might add " Eventually Christ will have to be acknowledged why not now? " as ever yours to help if I can sincerely

Charles J. adams

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By C 0 Adams 1215 Essex St. San Diego 3 April 48.

A possible explaination for and solution of The Palistine silerma.

To our disappointed Zionist Jows (and the rest of us).

had reversed his opinion about his Palistine policy said"A school-boys hind-sight is better than a presidents' fore-sight" - colomon, who was supposed to have been the wisest of leaders , reversed his decree , which he had made after he, too, had obtained "so e hindsight evidence" ( his, too, was "A Palistine child problem"

The Zionist deva, to centimue to persist upon a course which threateness to invalve so each suffering and uncertainty, should remember the prophet Baalim and his
use- he, too become hermed in on both sides by his continuing upon a set course
(rould it be that dod is using the resistance of the Arabs in the same sence that
the caused the sam to speak words of rebuker). Is it possible that "The Zionist
Jewa" have misinterproted "nods time" or his "Over-all purposes for themrs instead
of their joing back to Jerusalem, did dod intend that Jerusalem should become "as
mountain(A symbol of authority) that would increase in size until it covered the
whole earth" (in which event it would be big enough -and purposeful- to become "A
blessing to the whole world".

that are the needs of "The Zienist Jews" more than the rest of the world -Political security?- Economic security?- Religious telerance? - Entual exchange of thought? (These are the four freedoms this whole world needs) and do they expect to obtain those freedoms as "Their exclusive Hights" by locating "A home-lend in Palistine? (It hardly seems to make real sense)

The question now arises - that alternative would make sense))

In the (16th. Chapter of Ezekeil )we read about "An unwanted child" who had bee cast out into "A field"on the very day it was born: Its parents were heathen, and cared not what happened to it -ae read, also , that God saw its helplessness and commanded it "To" live; Live" he read that God took the child (a baby girl) and cared for it , as its parents should have done.

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it grew to maturity, and would have accepted the offer of marriage from (possibly) the first who might propose to her ,God came across her path again and by casting his skirt over her (A Token of betrothal) He rescued her from "A possible useless life" We read that God made "A Covenant with her and made her" His Own"

Because of what God had been to her and done for her ,she became "The erw y of her heathen sisters. (but from here on the tragady of her life ,for which she,herself, was responsible, began-She became as "An unfaithful wife".

whe God made His Covenant which her (or was it when He gave her "A Kingdom) He gave her the "Jerusalem. (now let's get the implication - of application - of that story, to wit:

The naming of Jerusalem was in connection with King Davids' having become leader of all of the scattered tribes- He had led but one tribe with his capital at Hebron: Jerusalem, (Jebus, as it was called then) was occupied by strangers who were driven from positions of authority (They were permitted to remain in the city provided they recognized the new authority)David moved in and gave the city " its New Name "Jerusalem" (What was about to die on the day of its'birth-but for the intervention of God)When it grew to maturity, God chose to represent "The Name of "An Ideology of Civil life" The question now arises "Since when did it diange from the Name of an Ideology" to "A mere location? (As the Zionist'movement would imply?) True, Jerusalem, mothered that Ideology (and at times she acted wy much like her heathen parents (as declared in that same chapter ) in fact she became so much like her parents that she lost her ident\*ty.

The Ideology continued to expand (regardless of what "Jerusalem ,its'mother did or failed to do)until it has become "A Zone of influence(with "God ,ordained authority ,which is represented by "The United Nations" of this "our day" (It is obvious that some of its'member Nations" lack the true spirit of "Jerusalem Ideology Right" as it was interpreted by Christs'teachings - His interpretations of "Sovereign but the reasons for that is- Those very Nations' Leaders have assertedly rejected Christs' teachings and interprations of Sovereign Right.

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According to "the above mentioned chapter (Ezekeil 16) Sodom Ideology is the only alternative to "Jerusalem"

We have at this time - A world devided into two "Ideologies" (What else can they be but "The above mentioned designation of terms?)

of Sodom -God declares "Meither did she strengthen the hands of the poor and the needy (verse 49, same chapter ) That is one of the identification marks (have that 15 how decode of the declar to the identification marks (have we ever been guilty of that 1 Sodom (our heathen sisters ) of whom God has also said "I will her to thee for daughters (but not according to thy covenant) when thou shalt be willing to receive them, and never open thy mouth (in criticism no doubt) against her because of thy shame (for our own short-comings, considerin all the advantages we have had in comparison)

The jews are being denied the realization of that for which they have booked forward to obtain and have suffered much persecution (generally under-stood for rejection of Christ) be that as it may, but their suffering could also be "A part" of Gods' ways and means of revealing to the world the identity of "The afore-said" "Two Ideologies"

that is the time signal when "Jerusalem" alive to her responsibilities, will related to her former state "As in Covenant with God in her youth" Her &tsettetty
would be rediscovered) — When the Jews try to interpret "Gods'promises as theirs
to the exclusion of the rest of the world(to them it is still "A location" But as
they are unable to finalize their interpretation because of the resistance of the
Arabs they may become persuaded to listen to the explaination of "In alternative"

Jerusalem Talcole y has become "A Zone of influence" (with God ordeined authora-

tive God ordained laws) spread to the ends of theearth (The sufferings and persecutions of the Jews have never been perpetuated by "Jerusalem Ideology"Civil life (but always by Jodom beastiallity)(that is raw heathenism)

Should America and dreat Britain hesitate any longer to declare our-selves

(That our Democracy represents in contrast to some other Democracies (some our pretation of mendeclared enemies ) That us designate "Our Ideology" thus: According to the inter-

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chos by dod- as Bavid(the King)in the former days and by Christ in these "The of Bavid , it can now be said "He was a king" of Christ , it can Latter days? now be said "he is A King" This very declaration has been seen in the names of "The seven political stars "all of whom were raised above their fellows Almoed in positions of authority to give light and direction (through leadership) to seven ways of Civil Life" "Seven Nations engaged in a conflict which terminated in the use of "The Atomic bemb" Within the names of those seven stars we see "The Mame of "An eighth Star (not of the night) but "A Day-"tar" The representative Head of an eighth way of life -The Christian Life" (Wor an explaination check with me-The Capital (first) letter in the mames of those seven stars - Chiang Kai Shek Churchill- mitler - Roosevelt-Il Duce- Stalin-and Tojo and the balance of the complete name of the first star(the star of the far east) Chiang Kai Shek) The letters are identical to "Christ He is A King" - This is a historical faut that could no not have been "A mere coincidence "of that magnitude-only an Ommipotent God "could c call to our attention that declaration which was also recorded of Christ by His enemies when He stood before his accusers -quote- We found this fellow perverting the nations- refusing to give tribute to Caesar does nt that sound like His enemi today: ) quote: aying He() is Christ A Hing" (St. Luke 23;2) There you have the same words of accusation (by His enemies it day be said in dirision but they ded ared the truth nevertheless (and it cannot be annulled today)

there is talk of an amendment to "The United Nations Charter" -or of the drafting of a new charter) It is my beleif that unless the term "Jerusalem Ideo or the is incorporated into it we will become guilty of deneying "The Bock" from which we have been hown- The Author of our way of Civil Life, and Christ - Gods chosen one whom he sent to show us "The Way, The Truth and The Life" Gods answer to our "Atomic war Sared world" for time and eternity)

put the nations to the test- if any will not agree to the inclusion of "The above means of acknowledge out of and christ(Gods' sponsored choice of leader-ship they must be identified as still a part of the only alternative "Sodem Ideology"

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We should insist upon this acknowledgement in the spirit of humility because of our own short-condnus - he are what we are by the grace of bod" (as the spostle Paul put it)

Will our Jewish friends be willing to forego their returning to "Jerusalem if "Jerusales" is already the biggest part of their lives as they become coopperative citizens any where in the world , within the zone of Jerusalem Ido logy" (laws)" influence"

Their suffering has born its fruit in the rediscovery of "Jerusalem" in contrast to "Sodom Ideology"

Let us thank them for the price they have paid in suffering and persecution and now , added to all that their disappointment , and let us welcome ther a as part of us any where within our zone (their zone too) but they , too must accept Christ -Gods'sponsored choice of leader-ship in this , our day The Latter days) as they accepted David as Gods' sponsored choice in "The former days"

noping that this imperfectly worded letter will throw a little light upon "The Palistine dilenga.

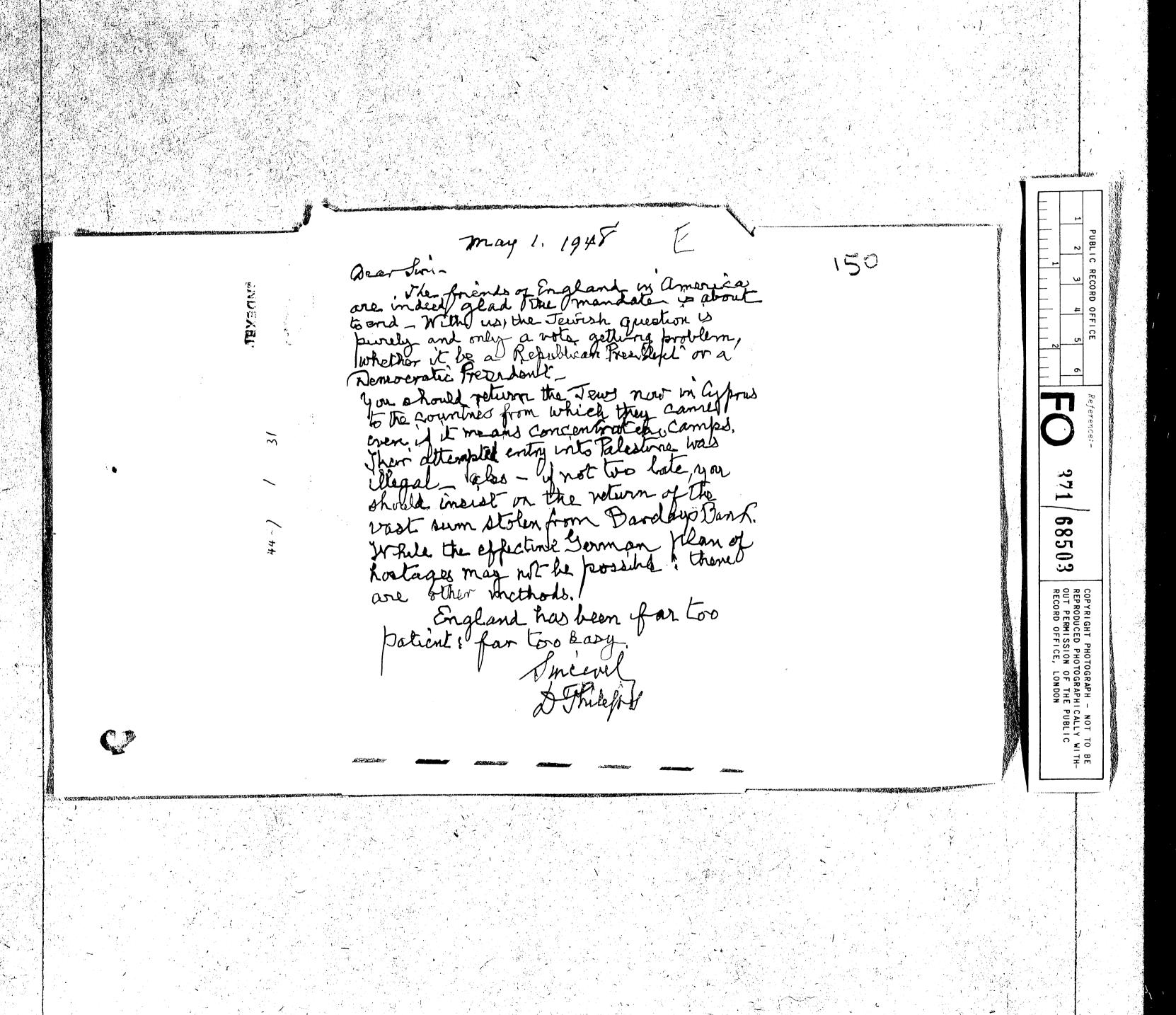
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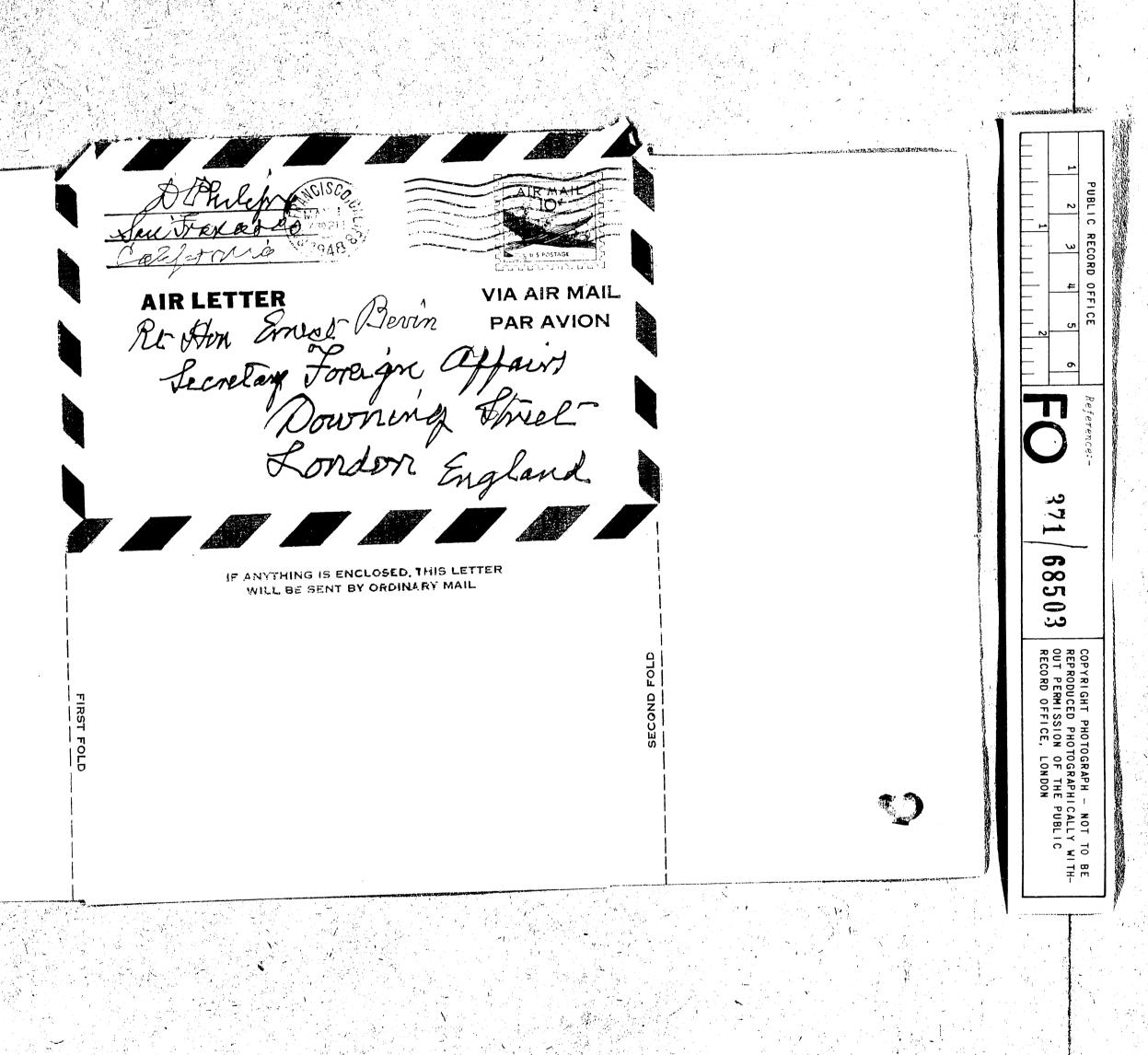
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New-York, April 28. 1948. Mrs. Loura Maier 797 Centowa Park North, New-york bo. N.y. To the howoroble Lect. of Forcing u-Afferir Mr. Gruest Bevin, Loudon. Downing-Street 10 -Vear Mr. Bevir, In the name of all what might be holy to you to your family, your country. Dask you to stop immedicately the bloodshed in Palestine, it is and was always in your power - if you really really wish and do it ad once - Their are nearly 2000 innocent people killed, plain willfully murder, have you no écucionsness; this people in Palostine built up a beautiful sput of earth, with all love & sweat a blood a energy, taharé final a place to live without persecution, now Britain wanted live without persecution, now Britain wanted live without persecution, now this not for them? may be, the should have worked this not for them for their children for the trules there brut, for the Nazis behind them, yes I got many letter's, there perc the Neizis behind a 19 pen again wanted to exterminate the News the pare ofren émmigrated to the holy land, when the Dews got deported to Cyprus -The sin cry's to Heavers -





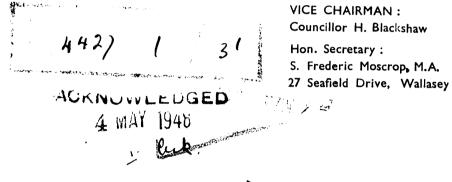
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Rt. Hon. Ernest Bevin, Foreign Secretary, Foreign Office, London.



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Dear Sir,

at the Annual General Meeting of the Wallasey Branch of the United Nations association on April 29th, 1948, the following resolution was carried:-

"That the Jallasey Branch of the "United Nations Association urges that the British Government help to implement the United Nations decision to [artition Palestine".

Yours faithfully,

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Temporary Secretary.

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/JMK No. 173. (376/11/48) His Majesty's Ambassador presents his compliments to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and has the honour to transmit herewith copies of the undermentioned paper. E 4448 BRITISH EMBASSY, CAIRO. 3rd April, 1948 Reference to previous communication: Jerusalem telegram to Cairo No. 53 OTP, repeated Secretary of State 809 of 30.3.48. Description of Enclosure. Subject. Name, Date, etc. Regarding the escape Royal Egyptian Ministry of of four British subjects from Acre Foreign Affairs. Note No. 162 of 3.4.48. prison. Copy sent to: B.M.E.O. (21106) Wt.8573/807 5,000 4/42 A.& E.W.Ltd. Gp.685

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His Majesty's Embassy present their compliments to the Royal Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and have the honour to request the Ministry to bring the following to the urgent attention of the appropriate authorities of the Egyptian Government.

- On March 30th four British subjects sentenced to terms of imprisonment by the Military Courts in Palestine escaped from Acre orison where they were awaiting transfer to the United Kingdom in order to serve their sentences there. The men in question are:-
  - Henry Mertin Dickson Leslie Victor Bernard Shew Basil Arnold Eardley Brown Kenneth Middleton Hawes
- All four men were convicted of offences which are extraditable under the Provisional Agreement between Egypt and Falestine regarding the extradition of Offenders of August 7th 1922. His Majesty's Embassy therefore request that if any of them are found in Egypt they may be arrested

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by the competent Egyptian authorities and held pending completion of extradition formalities.

His Majesty's Embassy svail themselves of this opportunity to renew to the Royal Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurance of their very high consideration.

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Morgan Phillips The Labour Party

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The Rt. Hon. E. Bevin, MP. 12 APR 1948 Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs,

The Foreign Office, Whitehall, LONDON S.W.1.

PERSONAL

Dear Ernest,

The National Executive Committee of the Party thought it might be a good idea if the National Council of Labour accepted responsibility for a joint statement on Palestine.

I am enclosing a short draft on which I should like your opinion before circulating it to the Chairmen and Secretaries of the other bodies associated with the National Council of Labour.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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STATEMENT BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF LABOUR ON PALESTINE.

As representatives of all sections of Labour in Great Britain we feel it our duty to state clearly in public the attitude of our Movement towards the present tragic events in Palestine.

Britain cannot accept responsibility for imposing by force a solution of the Palestine problem which is unacceptable either to Jews or Arabs, or to both. It is not yet known whether the United Nations will consider providing the force required to impose their own decision. In any case, the British Government has only followed the will of the British people in deciding to surrender the Mandate on May 15th, and to complete its military evacuation of Palestine by August 1st.

As responsible leaders of British Labour we must again stress our agreement with the repeated assertions of our representatives in the British Government that any permanent settlement of the Palestine problem must be based on a freely negotiated agreement between the two great Araband Jewish We appeal earnestly to Jews and Arabs alike communities. to realise the tragic danger to both created by intransigence trucker both Eight to slop fighting. on either side. Lasting peace in Palestine cannot rest on the forcible suppression of real national feeling, whether the force is provided from inside or outside the territory.

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Personal.

7th April, 1948.

Many thanks for your letter of the 6th April asking me for my opinion on a draft statement on Palestine to be issued by the National Council of Labour.

I agree that it would be a good thing to issue such a statement and I think the proposed draft is a good one although I would suggest the addition to the penultimate sentence of the words "and urge both sides to stop fighting."

(Sd.) ERNEST BEVIN

Morgan Phillips, Esq.

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Received 12th April in Registry 13th

Confiscation of rolls of Films in Palestine belonging to Mr. Meyer Levin.

Refers tomconversation about rolls of films confiscat ed in Palestine belonging to Mr. Meyer Levin. It Colonial Office has been decided to return these films to Mr. Levin, and by previous arrangement these will be sent to the Foreign Office for transmission to Paris, where they will be collected by Mt Levin.

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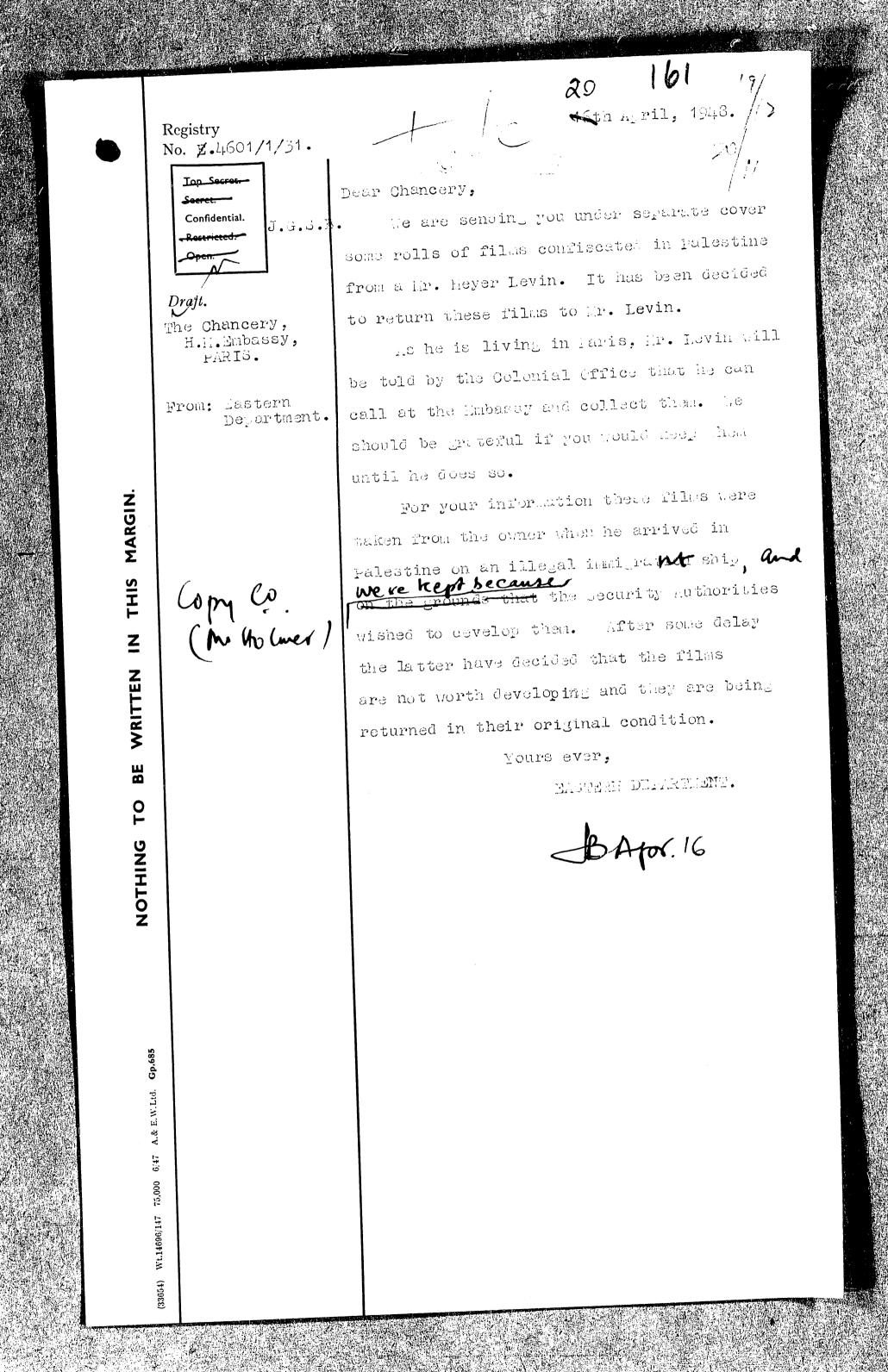
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The Church House, Great Smith Street, S.W.1. 76021/46A/48. 12th April, 1948. My Reference ..... Your Reference .... My sen Beitel 3 AFR 1948 You will remember our conversation the other day about the rolls of films confiscated in Palestine from Mr. Meyer Levin. It has been decided to return these films to Mr. Levin, and you agreed that they could be sent to the Embassy in Paris by bag for collection. I am therefore sending these films over to you (in a green canvas bag), and would be grateful if you would arrange for them to be forwarded to Paris. When I hear that you have received these films, I shall write to Mr. Levin advising him to collect them in Paris from the Embassy. Yours sincerely. (P.C. Holmer) J.G.S. Beith, Esq.

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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.
20th April, 1948.

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Dear Chancery,

We are sending you under separate cover some rolls of films confiscated in Palestine from a Mr. Meyer Levin. It has been decided to return these films to Mr. Levin.

As he is living in Paris, Mr. Levin will be told by the Colonial Office that he can call at the Embassy and collect them. We should be grateful if you would keep them until he does so.

For your information these films were taken from the owner when he arrived in Palestine on an illegal immigrant ship, and were kept because the Security Authorities wished to develop them. After some delay the latter have decided that the films are not worth developing and they are being returned in their original condition.

Yours ever,

EASTERN DEFARTMENT.

The Chancery,
British Embassy,
Paris.

Colonial Office, The Church House, Great Smith Street, S. W. 1.

76021/46A/48

20 - April, 1948.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 7th April, your films are being sent to His Majesty's Embassy in Paris, whence, I suggest, you should arrange to collect them in ten days time.

Müller and Company have been informed of this arrangement.

Yours faithfully,

(J. D. HIGHAM)

M. MEYER LEVIN, OVERSEAS NEWS AGENCY.

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Registry Number E4636/1/31  TELEGRAM FROM Mr. Broadmead.  No. DAMASCUS U/N  Dated 13th April Received in Registry 14th	Refers Jerusale: telegram No, 854 (E4425/1/31) Asks immediate information on what charge Dickson's arrest should be requested, and what is the position of the other escaped prisoners.	
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	I have now collected what appear to be all the relevant papers about Henry Dickson, and the telegram within quite alters the action which was proposed on PME. 347. After consulting the Colonial Office, I submit a revised telegram to Damascus.	
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Your telegram No. 993.

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Henry Dickson and others.

I received your telegram No. 875 on April 13th and have received neither your telegram No. 854 of March 31st nor your telegram No. 940 of April 8th quoted in your telegram No. 993

- 2. Please inform me immediately on what charge I should request Dickson's arrest and subsequent extradition and what is the position regarding the other escaped British prisoners.
- J. I would suggest that you telegraph via Colonial Office and that you despatch extradition dossier through His Majesty's Legation Amman who have a regular messenger leaving early Saturday mornings and reaching me the same evening.

[Copy sent to M.E. Secretariat]

[Copies sent to Telegraph Section Colonial Office for repetition to Jerusalem]

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## INWARD TELEGRAM

#### TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES

Cypher (O.T.P.)

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Conningham)

D. 16th April, 1948.

R. 16th " 19.50 brs.

No. 1011.

Following for H.M. Minister Damascus Ne. 1053.

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Your unnumbered telegram of 13th April, stating that you had not received telegrams concerning extradition of Dickson.

West of my telegram No.940 as fellowe:-

Processed if you will arrange for Henry Markin Dickson to be acrested in accordance with Extradition Agreement with Syrie of July, 1921, and held pending receipt of extradition documents, which will be prepared as soon as you confirm that he has been arrested. Dickson was convicted by Williamy Court Jerusalem for non-political offence (Pagainst) Regulation 143 (1) (b) of Defence (Emergency) Regulations, that is, sqlicking members of H.H. Forces to part with their arms, and sentenced to five years imprisonment on 21st Pebruary, 1948. The name Office have concurred his removal to a prison in the United Kingdom under Colonial Prisoner of War Removal Act."

Nothing known of whereabouts of Shaw, Hawes and Brown, who escaped with Dickson. Extradition documents will be sent via Amero. Ends.

(Copies sent to F.O. for transmission to Damascus, )

Copies sent to:-

Foreign Office - Mr. J.G.S. Beith.

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FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO DAMASCUS.

No. 185. 20th April, 1948. D. 11.55 p.m. 20th April, 1948.

Repeated to Jerusalem and Beirut No. 257.

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Addressed to Damascus telegram No. 185 of 20th April, repeated for information to Jerusalem and Beirut.

Your telegram No. 180 [of April 8th] to me and your unnumbered telegram of April 13th to Jerusalem. [Henry Dickson].

You should certain request Syrian Government not to furnish Dickson with any travel documents and at the same time press for his extradition as requested by the Government of Palestine.

[Copy sent to M.E. Secretariat].

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## INWARD TELEGRAM

Cypher (O.T.P.)

FROM PALESTINE (den. 81r A. Gunningham)

D. 20th April, 1948. R. 20th

16.30 hrs.

No. 1056 Secret.

My telegram No. 1011 of 16th april.

Following for H.M. Minister Demasous, No. 1095.

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Mr. Maurice Ernst, a well-known Jewish New York lawyer, called on me this morning to discuss, not the Falestine problem as such, but a proposal which, while he states that he does not represent the State Department, must I feel be approved by them and so we must regard it. It had nothing to do with the settlement of the Palestine political problem, but he reopened the question, which was discussed with President Roosevelt before the war ended, of a United Nations effort to remove surplus Jews out of Europe. This was mentioned to me by Mr. Maurice Ernst when we were discussing the Palestine problem about three years ago, and I told him then that in my view, if America would open her doors to an equivalent number of Jews from Europe to those they were asking Falestine to accept, then the situation would have been much easier and it would have altered the whole approach to it. The dist of his proposal is that he should see Magnes from Jerusalem University and a number of other prominent Jews in Falestine, meeting them secretly in Geneva, and that they should jointly address a letter - the text of which he showed me - to the United Mations which should be taken into account by the Assembly when discussing the Palestine problem. object of the letter is what is called a budgetary removal of the distressed Jews from Europe, numbering about 2 million all told, and that Palestine would take so many and other countries would take a quota. I reminded him that we should have to take into account all we have done up to now, which is more than any other country, either for displaced persons or in settlement of the Polish Army and their families. He admitted that we had done better than anybody. The tragedy was that in the United States we had not put over what we had done, and when he had talked to people over there about what Britain had done in smite of the attack by his fellow Jews upon us, they had scarcely believed it. But it was now beginning to percolate, and he thought that on our publicity side we ought to get out a statement of Eritain's contribution to the displaced persons problem during Hitler's days in the war and after the war. He said we had such a splendid record that it was a pity the world did not know of it. I said I would look into this. He asked me whether I thought a letter on the above lines would be a good thing, and I said that if we could turn this into a settlement of the Jewish problem as a whole, I thought it would make a useful contribution. He then said that his view had always been that if this step were taken the Arabs would then feel safe against being inundated by all the outstanding Jewish problems. This view had also been taken by President Roosevelt. I reminded him that that was the very argument I had advanced to Fresident Truman, Mr. Byrnes and the United States Administration, and indeed I had made it public in the Labour Farty Conference. He acknowledged this. I asked him the reason why we could get no response, and he said that it was really the question of the Jewish Agency. In their inner councils they had always held the view that if they allowed any diversion of Jews from Falestine and their settlement elsewhere, their attempts to raise money and to carry on their campaign from Falestine would be seriously affected. That was the truth of the matter.

I asked Mr. Ernst what view was taken in America now, and he said the leading Jews took it very seriously. He himself has a committee of over 100 prominent Jews, including such men as Einstein and a number of others, who now realised that the extreme line had been the wrong one. I asked him why the change? He replied that they would never believe that Britain would clear out of Palestine, and they did not take the dateline seriously. In addition, now that they saw we were

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serious they had no confidence that they could defeat the Arabs. I thought this was an illuminating statement coming from a Jevish quarter.

He then asked me whether it was better to address the letter to the United Nations or the United States. I reread the letter and said that if it came from Falestinian Jews it would be far better for it to come before the United Nations than to select the United States. However, I indicated that I could not be committed as expressing a view. This was my personal orinion, and was off the record.

Mentioned to the several times before, with regard to what he called the freedom of the mind. This had nothing to do with Jewry. He had always been in favour of altering the present tariff system on books, films - particularly documentary and information films - and all kinds of exchanges of opinion and educational works in which he felt that the present laws were a tremendous handicap. His opinion was that so far as Great Britain was concerned, it would be worth two or three million dollars to them if the State Department could be induced to face up to it. I accordingly arranged for him to discuss the whole problem with the Tapliamentary Under-Secretary and Mr. C. Warner tolay.

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9th April, 1946.

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Ur. Ernst also told to that the American Jews were very much opposed to United States troops being sent to a lestine because they feared that if any G.I.'s were killed by Jewish terrorists this yould lead to uncontrollable anti-Semitism in the United States.

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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.

9th April, 1948.

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The Foreign Secretary asked me to send you the enclosed record of a conversation he had to-day with Mr. Morris Ernst which he though might be of interest to the Prime Minister.

A similar letter is being sent to the Colonial Secretary but the Foreign Secretary is giving no further circulation. to this document.

(Sd.) F. K. ROBERTS.

L.N. Helsby, Esq., 10 Downing Street. ~33

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#### PRIVATE SECRETARY

Mr. Morris Ernst

I understand that Mr. Ernst has asked to see the Secretary of State. He is a wellknown and very able American lawyer and a prominent Liberal in U.S. politics. He is a friend of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who finds him a reliable and useful informant as he is in touch with a fairly representative cross-section of U.S. public opinion.

Inverchapel shortly before he left the United States. The object of his journey is apparently to interest prominent Jews there and, through them, the United Nations, in a plan to persuade all countries to take their quota of Jewish refugees in order to ease the situation in Palestine. According to Mr. Ernst, this idea was first put to him by President Roosevelt in 1944.

(P. S. Stephens) 7th April, 1948.